



Saskatchewan Tribute Moves John D.

Conservative Leader Diefenbaker said he is deeply touched by proposal by Saskatchewan Premier Thatcher that his family home, built before 1900 at Borden, near Saskatoon, be moved to Regina and

restored as a "fitting tribute to the only Saskatchewan citizen to become prime minister of Canada." Photo was taken when Mr. Diefenbaker visited home in 1965. He and brother Elmer were born there. — (CP)

Pearson's Holiday Message

Peace Among Nations World's Main Hunger

Services Private In Peking

PEKING (Reuters) — Peking's Christians face what is thought to be the first Christmas in this century here without public worship.

No Christmas services are planned in Peking's churches, closed in August at the height of the campaign by Communist China's militant young Red Guards to enforce the tenets of China's Great Proletarian Revolution.

It is thought to be the first time in the 20th century that Peking's Christians would not hold public Christmas worship.

OTTAWA (CP) — The world hungers more than ever for peace among all nations, Prime Minister Pearson says in his Christmas message.

"Through the exercise of love and understanding and good will in all of our hearts, every one of us as individuals can make his own contribution to the progress and the welfare of our country and to peace among our world."

"For peace and progress begin in the hearts and souls of every individual person." Mr. Pearson extended his greetings Friday to Canadians abroad, including servicemen in Europe, Cyprus, the Gaza Strip, Kashmir and Indochina; teachers, technicians and missionaries.

He expressed regret that commercialism and a kind of celebration threaten to "obscure the true meaning of Christmas."

"If we are lucky, we are surrounded by our children and our grandchildren."

He had special greetings for those who will work Christmas Day to maintain essential services and for the less fortunate.

"Some are burdened with poverty; others are lonely or sick; or sorrowing. So we think of them particularly on this day."

The prime minister will broadcast his message on CBC English and French networks Sunday morning. The text was issued to the press in advance.

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Time for Protests

Freight Bid Put on Ice

The B.C. Public Utilities Commission has put a truck freight rate increase proposal on ice to give people plenty of time to present their views on the matter.

Copper Source Cut

KINSHASA (AP) — The Congo suspended Friday the export of all copper produced by the huge Belgian Miniere du Haut Katanga.

The move is in retaliation for the Belgian company's refusal to move its administrative offices and account ledgers to Kinshasa from Brussels.

The Union Miniere said in Brussels it could not agree to transfer, as the Congolese government demands.

Union Miniere is the Congo's biggest business. It produces 75 per cent of its mining assets and provides half its foreign exchange. It produces about 300,000 tons of copper annually, as well as cobalt, gold and uranium.

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B.C. Prison Guard Loses Hands

Gift Booby-Trapped

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — A B.C. Penitentiary guard, his hands blown off, ran screaming into the street with his critically-injured 10-year-old son Friday night, following the explosion of a booby-trapped Christmas parcel.

Guard Frank Newton, 42, is in fair condition today in Royal Columbian Hospital here, and his son Norman was later listed as critical.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police pressed the search for the person who attempted murder via the Christmas mail.

The explosion occurred as Newton, 42, unwrapped the parcel at his home in

North Surrey, across the Fraser River from New Westminster, where the penitentiary is located, while his son Norman watched.

Police said the blast Continued on Page 10



Supreme Court Judge Retires

Retirement from B.C. Supreme Court bench of Mr. Justice F. K. Collins, 73, Vancouver, has been announced. Mr. Justice Collins, who succeeded J. V. Cline in 1958, is resigning because of ill health.

British Ship Heads For Trouble

LONDON (Reuters) — A British warship left Bermuda under sudden orders Friday and was believed to be heading for the politically-troubled Caribbean island of St. Vincent.

The 3,000-ton destroyer Defender, carrying a crew of about 300, broke off a Christmas visit to Bermuda—due to last until Dec. 27—to sail on what a defence ministry spokesman here called "a special task."

Reports received here from the Caribbean said the warship would lie off St. Vincent.

Caught in Final Draft

O Cabotia!

TORONTO (CP) — On Sunday, it will be exactly 100 years since Sir John A. Macdonald and 15 fellow colonialists from Britain's North American possessions presented the British government with the final draft of a bill to create the new country of Canada.

Sir John and his fellow politicians from the United Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada (Ontario and Quebec) Nova Scotia and New Brunswick worked Christmas day revising their plan for confederation of the three colonies.

It contained a list of names for the new country, including Cabotia, Columbia, Laurentia, Britannia and Canada.

The draft was handed to Lord Carnarvon, colonial secretary in the imperial government, on Christmas night.

Six months and one week later, on July 1, 1867, the British North America Act gave birth to the new Dominion.

Cong Rock The Truce

SAIGON (UPI) — A 48-hour Christmas truce went into effect today and was strictly observed by U.S. forces, but the cease-fire failed to stop Viet Cong guns. The U.S. military branded the shooting "violations" while the American embassy said they were only "incidents."

The peace-shattering rash of Communist fire included a Viet Cong attack that killed a Vietnamese soldier, two civilians and wounded three others in the northern province of Thua Thien.

U.S. military spokesmen and government sources reported at least three other incidents of Viet Cong fire, all occurring within the first six hours of the holiday truce.

The Viet Cong fire reportedly caused no American casualties and was not returned. American soldiers were under orders to remain alert to possible Communist attack but not to fire unless fired upon.

MOST SERIOUS

The most serious breach of the peace was a Communist attack on a small hamlet six miles northwest of Phu Loc in Thua Thien province. It was assumed the government forces returned the Communist fire and the war incident was "under investigation."

Viet Cong snipers fired 10 rounds at the headquarters of the first U.S. Army Division at Di An, about 10 miles northeast of Saigon and at an American helicopter in a northern province. Gunfire also was reported in Long An province, south of Saigon.

CLOSE CALL

The attack came just minutes before Francis Cardinal Spellman boarded a helicopter at the Tan Son Nhut airbase in Saigon to fly to Long Binh, less than three miles from Di An, to hold his first Christmas service for U.S. servicemen on the fighting front.

Sporadic firing was reported Friday night just prior to the truce. In the most violent attack last preceding the truce two Communist assassination squads raided a pair of villages on the outskirts of Saigon and killed two Vietnamese men to death with machinegun fire.

While the bodies lay on the ground bleeding, a Viet Cong political team set up a loudspeaker and blared Communist messages to the terrified villagers before disappearing into the night.

Brute Force Pointless Ho Claims

HANOI (AP) — President Ho Chi Minh of North Vietnam, in a year-end message to the American people, said Friday:

"The U.S. government mistakenly thinks that with brute force it can impose a surrender on our people, but the Vietnamese people will never let itself be subjugated."

"We love peace," Ho added, "but it must be real peace, independence and freedom."

Prison Hero Rewarded

FLORENCE, Italy (AP) — A convict hero of the Florence flood has received a \$160 Christmas cheque from President Giuseppe Saragat, in addition to a pardon he received last month.

When the floodwaters of the River Arno rose into the Florence prison cells Nov. 4, Carlo Pestelli, 41, swam to the jail workshop and got a blowtorch. With this he and a few other prisoners saved the lives of 19 trapped convicts.

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Mighty Squish Replaces Sound of Ripping Metal

CULVER CITY, Calif. (LAT) — A police cruiser pulled away from the curb Friday and was immediately rear-ended by a car traveling at 25 miles an hour.

There was no sound of crashing metal. Only a splat as a 10-foot-high shield of water shot into the air.

Police chief Eugene I. Mueller got out of his car smiling. No one was hurt and the cars were undamaged, though both

were covered with gallons of water which had exploded from their vinyl bumpers.

The bumpers, which have been installed on all Culver City police cruisers, are made of quarter-inch soft vinyl and hold seven gallons of water. In a collision water bursts from 15 valves, redirecting the force of the crash into the air.

"After a bump, you drive to your local gas station and tell the attendant to fill your bumpers with water after he

checks the radiator," the chief said.

Preliminary tests conducted by the police department included head-on and rear-end collisions and hitting abutments, all at 25 miles an hour. The tests demonstrated that there was no passenger injury or damage to the cars, Chief Mueller said.

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'Whole City Loves Even Us'

Tears, Laughter from 500 Cheques

Victorians who have heard people laugh and cry at the same time will be able to picture what Friday was like for girls at the Colonist switchboard.

The switchboard was jammed with callers, each eager to tell what an "unexpected" \$30 meant at this time of year.

Five hundred families had opened their mail Friday,

morning to discover a \$30 present each from Colonist subscribers through the 500 Fund. They were the neediest families in the area as chosen by welfare agencies.

"God bless you all," said one young crippled mother. "We had \$2 to our names this morning, but now I know the whole city loves even us."

"God bless you," wept another mother. "Next year

we're going to be on the giving end."

"My family and I don't know what to say or do about your wonderful gift," stammered another. "Thank you. Thank you all so very much."

"It was a real Christmas saver. With B--- in the sanitarium, we didn't expect to celebrate this year."

"What wonderful, wonderful spirit you good folks have,"

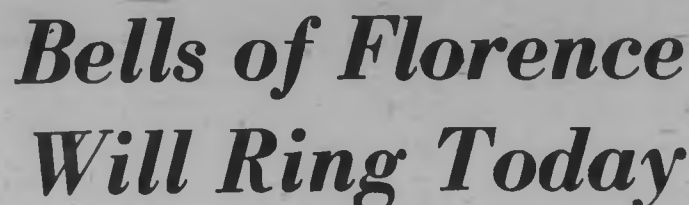
laughed another. "I can buy everything in the world now."

"Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!"

"God bless everybody."

A special vote of thanks goes to the post office department which worked overtime Thursday night to process the 500 cheques for delivery Friday.

The fund itself easily Continued on Page 3



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Hanes Seamless Nylons	1 ⁵⁵	Drop Earrings	2 ⁰⁰ to 5 ⁰⁰
Fancy Nylon Briefs	1 ⁵⁰ to 2 ⁹⁵	Nylon Umbrellas	4 ⁹⁵
Nylon Tricot Slips	3 ⁹⁵	Nylon Gloves	1 ⁹⁵ to 4 ⁹⁵

Gifts under 10⁰⁰

Print Overblouses	6 ⁹⁵ to 8 ⁹⁵	Plastic Handbags—calf and patent	5 ⁰⁰ to 7 ⁹⁵
Lace Shells, white, black and ecru	Nylon Umbrellas	7 ⁹⁵
Dry Laye Blouses—¾ sleeves,	9 ⁹⁵	Orion Shell—turtle neck	7 ⁹⁵
frilled front	Stone Set Pin Sets	8 ⁹⁵ and 9 ⁹⁵
Nylon Tricot Slips—banlon lace	8 ⁹⁵	Leather Gloves	5 ⁹⁵ and 7 ⁹⁵
Brushed Nylon Bed Jackets	5 ⁹⁵		

Gifts under 20⁰⁰

Brushed Nylon Waltz Gown	11 ⁹⁸	Beaded Evening Shell, black and white	16 ⁹⁸
Brushed Nylon Long Gown	14 ⁹⁸	Matching Cardigan to above	19 ⁹⁸
Nylon Waltz Gown—imported lace trim	14 ⁹⁸	Couture Jewellery—pendants, necklets, pins	10 ⁰⁰ to 20 ⁰⁰
Pleated Nylon Shift Gown, tiered	19 ⁹⁸	Pendant Watches	15 ⁹⁸ and up
Quilted Satin Robes, short	19 ⁹⁸	Leather Gloves—4-button and 6-button length	10 ⁹⁸ and 14 ⁹⁸
Lace Blouses, long and ¾ sleeves	16 ⁹⁸	Better Handbags—calf and patent	9 ⁹⁸ to 16 ⁹⁸
Lace Evening Shell	19 ⁹⁸	Gold and Silver Evening Bags	13 ⁹⁸
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How to Keep Christmas Well

Folks kept asking R. E. Baker of Vancouver, Wash., how he was going to decorate his home for Christmas. His answer, bathed in a soft blue light, delighted neighbors and Baker says the spirit is not of the miser but of the man who "knew how to keep Christmas well." — (AP)

More of the Same in 1967 Westmoreland Prediction

SAIGON (AP) — Gen. William C. Westmoreland, commander of U.S. forces in Vietnam, Friday predicted "more of the same . . . heavy fighting" in Vietnam next year. "We cannot expect in the future any dramatic turn of events."

"It will take perseverance, endurance on the battlefield and patient patience at home," Westmoreland said in an interview with the Mutual Broadcasting System.

DANGER PASSED

Meanwhile, Premier Nguyen Cao Ky declared in an address that the danger of a Communist takeover has passed and the Vietnamese army's primary task now will be to pacify the countryside.

Vietnamese armed forces will keep military security in the country and also take the initiative against the enemy, he said.

Ky addressed the Constituent Assembly which is writing a constitution restoring the country to civilian rule.



Westmoreland

Westmoreland, who said he could see no "military advantage" in extending any of the two-day holiday truces sched-

uled to begin Saturday, gave this outlook for 1967:

"During the coming year, I see really more of the same. I see a continued fight by the Vietnamese armed forces and their free world allies against the guerrilla and I also see heavy fighting against the Viet Cong main force units and the North Vietnamese army troops."

WILL CONTINUE

"I believe the enemy will continue his guerrilla war but he will continue to move troops from North Vietnam to fight a so-called conventional war."

Westmoreland said he thinks the most important step forward in 1966 was "in stopping the initiative by the main force or conventional forces, particularly those of North Vietnam."

He said evidence the enemy is having morale problems as a result of the turn of the fighting over the last year has shown up in the number of prisoners taken, the number of defectors and from interrogation of prisoners.

Policeman Charged

VANCOUVER (CP) — Constable Herbert Ernest Turtle, 44, Friday became the fourth Vancouver policeman to face criminal charges in less than two weeks.

Turtle, with more than 18 years on the force, was charged

with stealing a steam iron worth less than \$50 Dec. 11.

He was suspended from the force. Turtle was released on \$2,500 bail and was to appear in court again today.

Constable John Thomas McCready, 48, charged Dec. 12 with theft and possession of a

tape recorder, also is free on \$2,500 bail, as are Constables David Mundreem, 41, and Marvin Magnusson, 32. They are charged with stealing and entering a cookie factory.

Acting deputy chief constable Jim Mundie said Friday an investigation within the force is continuing.

7,300 Sail For South

NEW YORK (AP)—Eleven luxury liners left for ports south Thursday, the largest number of sailings in one day in more than 30 years. More than 7,300 passengers were booked on the 11 ships, a port record for departures during winter.

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Father Held in Husband's Death

Widow, 16, Swears Revenge

NEW KENSINGTON, Pa. (UPI) — Sixteen-year-old Marlene Hardee Nedley, who became a widow an hour after she married a marine, vowed Friday to do "everything I can" to have her father punished for the slaying of her bridegroom.

"Then I want to come back here and start my life over again," the dark-eyed brunette said.

Marlene and marine Cpl.

Early Vote Pledged By Hussein

AMMAN, Jordan (UPI) — King Hussein of Jordan Friday set the stage for early elections he hopes will strengthen his government which has been plagued by strained relations with other Arab states and unrest among its large Palestinian Arab refugee population.

The 32-year-old king named a new streamlined government and instructed him to prepare for "free and honest elections."

Tell, who has backed Hussein against violent attacks by left-wing Arab elements in Syria and Egypt, had resigned earlier in the day. Following his reappointment, he formed a cabinet retaining ministers of Jordanian descent with one significant exception.

Foreign Minister Akram Zuhair was dropped. He was replaced by Abdullah Salah, of Palestinian extraction. Observers noted, however, that Salah would carry out the foreign policy as dictated by the king and premier.

Contraband Haul Largest

BOMBAY (UPI)—Police Friday seized eight automobiles in which were hidden gold and silver contraband worth \$1,500,000 — the biggest-ever haul in this country.

A total of 18 people were held in the roundup that followed. One of those arrested, a Kerala Moslem named Ibrahim Soodi, was alleged to be the ringleader of the smuggling organization whose ramifications spread as far as Hong Kong.

Soodi is alleged to have given police details of the racket after his arrest Thursday when customs men seized another haul of uncut Belgian diamonds and other goods.

HOLIDAY BUS SERVICE

Service on city bus routes will be operated as follows over the Christmas holiday:

Sunday, December 25 Sunday Service
Monday, December 26 Holiday Service
Tuesday, December 27 Holiday Service

Holiday schedules are given in full on pages 28 to 32 of your bus timetable. Details of all routes are also in the timetable (in the evening, and on Sundays and holidays, some routes are combined).

For bus information, please telephone 381-9261, any time of day or evening.

B.C. HYDRO

Warren Lee Nedley Jr., 20, of nearby Lower Burrell, were married Monday night by a justice of the peace in Hampstead, N.C., near her home in Burgaw.

GRAND JURY

The bride's father, J. C. Hardee, 56, is awaiting grand jury action on charges of murder. He claimed self defence.

Nedley was shot at the Hardee home near Surf City midnight Monday following their marriage.

"I was standing near Butch when he was shot," Marlene said. "He yelled for help and then fell to the floor. He died in my arms."

The bride testified at an inquest Tuesday night that her father wanted them to wait until Christmas Eve to be married and that he did not believe them when they said they had been wed.

HAD RIFLE

"We went to my home to tell my father, but he wasn't there," she said. "We then went to our trailer, then returned to my home. This time my father was there. He's mean. He carried a rifle and he had been drinking some."

The bride said her father was "a violent man" who had threatened them several times. "My mother liked Butch until I came here to visit his parents without her permission. She didn't appreciate that," she said.

WAS WAITRESS

Marlene said she had been working as a waitress in a Surf City restaurant when she met Nedley.

"A lot of people down my way don't like marines," she said. "They don't understand that those boys used to get lonely and come down to the beach in Surf City. Sometimes they would have too much to drink and do damage. But Butch wasn't like that."

Nedley, who was stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C., died from a bullet wound in the chest. He had been struck with a .22 calibre bullet.

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IT IS PERSISTENTLY argued that the proposed integration of Canada's defence forces is justified in large measure by this country's responsibility in peace-keeping roles on behalf of the United Nations.

As the Montreal Gazette observes, "Much emphasis has been placed on this contribution in the continuing debate of the past few years about our defence needs. . . . Canadians, rightly or wrongly, have been under the impression that the major part of our defence resources over the past decade have been concentrated on peace-keeping; and that even now peace-keeping takes up a major portion of our defence resources."

Broadly speaking, it must be admitted, any defence force is a peace-keeping influence in that it acts as a deterrent. It is certainly true that the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's massive strength in Europe, for example, kept the peace there because it discouraged any assault from the East. And it is equally true that the United States' nuclear missile power had the same effect during the Cuban crisis. But it is not the generally accepted interpretation of the role of defence forces. They exist primarily to defend the interests and the integrity of the people who pay for them.

It is entirely wrong, then, to contend that Canada's armed services are principally concerned with peace-keeping, in the role of a sort of world police force, rather than the defence of this country's interests. We are chiefly obligated to a voluntary participation in NATO and the defence system of this continent.

Only a very small proportion of our armed forces is engaged in what should properly be called United Nations' police tasks. At present about 1,900 men of our total of about 105,000 are so involved, including 900 in Cyprus who, as the tensions there continue to ease, may shortly be relieved of this duty.

There are another 850 men in the Suez area, as part of the United Nations' force patrolling the demilitarized zone of the Gaza Strip.

But our defence policy should not be based on obligations of this nature.

It must be realistically examined in the light of commitments to NATO and NORAD, and operations in conjunction with the non-integrated forces of our allies in these organizations, their navies, armies and air forces.

It is doubtful if the people of Canada would accept a military budget of more than a billion and a half dollars a year to provide a United Nations' police force even in the highly improbable event of our being invited to assume this function.

Ottawa vs. Ottawa

WHEN ONLY ABOUT a third of the eligible voters of a city take the trouble to make their choices for mayor and aldermen at the polls—as happened in Victoria earlier this month—the value the citizens place on local democracy looks rather small. It would not be surprising to find, however, that if their rights in this respect were ever threatened, a vastly different picture would emerge; the electorate would be outraged.

Some such reaction probably is to be anticipated in Ottawa if, as forecast, a report to the Ontario government is made public soon recommending the establishment of a federal district in the area of the national capital.

The report, prepared by a political science professor, is understood to endorse the federal district idea as long as some form of home rule is preserved for local taxpayers. This would avoid the situation in the United States' District of Columbia, where government is by a congressional committee. But the balancing of powers between local representation and federal authority, so as not to convince the ratepayers they were being robbed of their rights would be a neat act indeed.

At present Ottawa, meaning the national government, has no power to make Ottawa, meaning the Ontario city, alter its institutions. The face of the area has been much ameliorated by the national capital commission, the equivalent on much greater scale of British Columbia's Capital Improvement District Commission which has the beautification of Greater Victoria as its purpose. But a primary goal of creating the federal district would be to make Ottawa and its environs into a "truly bilingual national capital," to alter its predominantly Anglo-Canadian character as well as its appearance.

It is difficult to see how this could be achieved if the local residents were in a position to thwart the plans of the government. And it is equally difficult to believe that the residents would silently pay taxes without having a large measure of control over the administration.

Regrettable Incident

DEFENCE MINISTER HELLYER has told the Commons that the German magazine Der Spiegel misinterpreted Canadian participation in the execution of two German prisoners of war shortly after the war in Northwest Europe had ended. And that its statement that a Canadian general asked that they be put on trial was wholly false.

This is the result of the investigation conducted by his department into the matter.

So much is satisfactory, since it indicates that Canadians did not initiate the court-martial and execution of the two German sailors concerned; but it does not clear the Canadian Army for some responsibility in what happened.

One must appreciate the temper of the moment in judging the incident. The shooting had just ended and the victors can scarcely be expected to have cared a great deal as to the fate of anyone who a day or so before had been an enemy trying to kill them. Nevertheless the executed men were prisoners of war in a camp set up by the Canadians. And while because of lack of enough men to guard the large number of prisoners the Germans were responsible for the discipline of their troops while awaiting return to Germany, the overall authority was Canadian.

By supplying the means by which the executions could be carried out, and by the sanction of the "higher authorities" Mr. Hellyer mentions—which would be senior military personnel—this indicates that the executions were condoned by their Canadian captors.

The defence minister stated that publicity given to the happening was "most regrettable" and nothing is to be gained now by carrying the matter further. That is true, but it is also regrettable that Canadian authorities in the field allowed the executions to take place. It would have freed them of any complicity had they left the fate of the two prisoners to the Germans after all the prisoners had been released to go home.



"To which phone tap are you referring, Sir, the one you have on him or the one he has on you?"

In Britain

Cannibal Pursues Industry

By CANSADRA from London

THE other day I mentioned how in the motor industry the American pike was swallowing the British ducks on the pond and please don't write and tell me that a pike won't take a duckling on the water for pike are carnivorous and they damn well do.

I referred in particular to the manner in which Ford, General Motors and Chrysler, who are on the point of swallowing Rootes, Hillman, Humber, Sunbeam, Singer, were growing in strength and power, and mentioned the British Motor Corporation as a last resistance stronghold, but I said nothing about Standard-Triumph International.

Now I have received a more in-a-row-than-anger note from them, chiding me for leaving them out and failing to mention that, "far from being taken over by America, we regard it as our major market, and I rather think they admire our sports cars not to mention our 2000 saloon."

That was last week. Now this week with one massive juicy mouthful Leyland, who have swallowed Standard-Triumph, are about to swallow Rover who have swallowed Austin.

Cannibals have nothing on the motor industry.

The greatest British swallower is of course BMC which began with Austin engulfing Morris and MG and then proceeded to absorb Wolseley, Riley and Jaguar who had previously swallowed Daimler.

Various smaller offshoots disappeared down the same gorging maw. On the side there remains only the Rolls Royce dynasty who have already gorged with BMC. Other isolated pockets of resistance include Aston Martin who swallowed Lagonda and Bristol, and certain fancy pieces of home work for those who wish to proceed very far from point to point in a somewhat disorderly fashion.

Now tell me what happens if Alfa peering from the summit of Rover peering from the summit of Standard-Triumph peering from the summit of Leyland are swallowed by the vast digestive tracts of the BMC.

We'll have the Morris-MG-Austin-Wolseley-Riley-Jaguar-Daimler-Leyland-Standard-Triumph-Rover-Alfa motor car all rolled into one.

Every time these takeovers occur we are assured that the identity of the manufacturers will remain, and only this week we have been told that the distinctive and excellent engineering of the Rover will not go into the common pool of mass-produced mediocrity. I cannot believe it.

The process of the endless levelling out that ultimately results in the levelling down. Who could mistake a 1966 Riley for its famous forebears of the thirties? Or the present-day Wolseley for its predecessor? Or the Sunbeam for its long-stroke ancestor, or a 30-38 Vauxhall for its present namesake?

Where is the Moon and the Ocean and the Cubitt and the Gwynne and the Waverley and the Calhorne and the Arrol-Johnson and the Star and the Invicta and the Clyno and the Galloway of yesterday?

The Germans, who, after all, did invent the standardized People's Car, had a great Gadarene cry in the thirties which said: "One State! One People! One Leader!"

May the Teutonic ghosts of the great individualist inventors Daimler and Benz and Otto protect us against one designer, one manufacturer and one model. But it looks more and more that way.

From the Scriptures

They also that erred in spirit shall come to understanding, and they that murmured shall learn doctrine. — Isaiah, 29:24

Ottawa Offbeat

What's Good for Politicians Is Good Enough for People

By RICHARD JACKSON
Colonist Ottawa Bureau

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In West Germany

Uneasy Partners In New Coalition

By NEAL ASCHERSON from Berlin

nuclear force with a German component.

Reverend about the coalition's first week in office broke surface in the Bundestag debate on Kiesinger's policy declaration. West-chancellor Erhard sat red-faced on the floor benches and impassively signed his way through pile after pile of his autobiography's new volume, brought to him by house flunkies, Rainer Barzel made a sour, sneering speech which invoked the fading idols of the "cold war." Barzel is chairman of the Christian Democratic Parliamentary Party, and a disappointed chancellor candidate: his feelings vented themselves in gibes at the defenceless Erhard, whom he had once pretended to serve so loyally.

But they agree — roughly — about the economy. The recession has not yet hit bottom, and Christian and Social Democrats have a common will to act hard and fast. The credit squeeze must be relaxed, industry cautiously reinvited, the budget for 1967 balanced by chopping subsidies and defying the lobbyists, the concept of planning ahead built into official thinking. Dr. Kiesinger, that mellifluous guardian of peace in the cabinet, astutely devoted almost all his policy speech to the economy.

It is in foreign and German policy that the struggles are taking place. Here the government's intentions emerge only piece by piece, like bulletins flashed from a battlefield. It is clear, for instance, that certain Social Democrat ideas will be adopted, and some appeared in Kiesinger's speech: the proposed renunciation of violence to include East Germany, the invalidation of the Munich Treaty of 1938. The new all-German minister, Herbert Wehner of the Social Democrats, has at last discarded the official description of East Germany as the "Soviet occupation zone," which he calls "bureaucratic Germany."

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Politics in Sport

Status-Seekers Threaten Games

By LAURANCE DOBIE from Bangkok

THE flags fluttering round the main stadium of the fifth Asian Games in Bangkok are symbols of the real trend in sport in this region — the development of national teams to project safely to the world an image of countries trapped between the main power blocs.

Government after government is providing aid to sports associations to find the athletes who will make up this "projection" and the associations themselves are drawing up increasingly intensive plans. Centralized training centres are being established. In these, the most promising individuals and teams can be groomed for months before a major sporting event. Meanwhile, they are found jobs near the centres — the entire Japanese volleyball team, for example, works at the Canebo factory and the firm takes a keen interest in their well-being.

Manning the centres are full-time professional coaches, who, having scoured the country for talent, train it on scientific lines at the centres. Bill Miller, former American Olympic star in the decathlon and javelin, who is now chief coach of the Malaysian team, talks calmly of the 8 ft. high jump soon, points out that India has already an institute for producing top-flight physical educationists, and says that Malaysia is pushing towards an institution which will exploit the kind of research the Japanese have been engaged in since 1961.

The Japanese are the pace-setters for Asian sport. By setting doctors, psychologists and nutritionists to work, their performances in hockey, volleyball, basketball, and tennis have shot up. They took 35 gold medals at the 1962 games in Jakarta, while the "next best" country got seven. In Bangkok the gap is undoubtedly going to be even greater.

With the seemingly unlimited funds at their disposal (a third from the government, two-thirds from private companies) the Japanese bring all the PT teachers from the 47 prefectures to Tokyo for two weeks a year to brief them on how best to spot talent among youngsters. Back home they unearth whatever they can and send it off to Tokyo for specialized coaching.

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up with Communist China to form the Ganefo organization ("Games for New Forces").

Observers flying in from Cambodia, where the first Ganefo Games were held a few weeks ago, say that what was significant was not the anti-imperialist propaganda banners and slogans, but the superb stadium facilities which the Chinese laid on, the global standard of sports performances (a world record high jump was missed by only a centimetre), and, most of all, the chance the games gave for small countries to show their paces, and for athletes from them to get international-class experience, without inevitably ending among the also-rans.

In spite of the defection of Indonesia back to the Asian Games most sports observers in the East feel that Ganefo will probably grow. In the process, it may be that China will come to play the "rich nation" role that Japan now has in the Asian Games. Seen in this light, the reaction of the Olympic Committee in starting to ban Ganefo competitors from other meetings seems short-sighted, for it could be yet another step towards duplicating in



Langford fire chief Allan Le Quesne directs Glen Goldie and Ray Lewis in ambulance techniques. John Stewart is on stretcher. — (William A. Boucher)

75 Square Miles

4,700 Man-Hours

One Ambulance — Big Job

By NANCY BROWN

One ambulance, manned entirely by volunteers, covers an area of 75 square miles—from the Malahat summit to the Esquimalt border, through View Royal and Colwood to the Sooke border.

Some 40 volunteers, most of them also volunteer firemen, have put in about 4,700 man-hours so far this year to bring adequate fire protection and ambulance service to the Langford district.

When the fire alarm rings in the daytime, some businesses close down and others are left shorthanded as those employed in the area head for the fire hall.

At night more men are available at home, but according to Fire Chief Allan Le Quesne, the

daytime turnout has averaged seven, sometimes going as high as nine or 10.

The ambulance is manned by two men. The firemen, plus another man and four women, take turns on standby duty 24 hours a day.

The wife of the deputy fire chief, Mrs. Norma Williams, who has four children at home, is the ambulance dispatcher, working from home. She is also one of the ambulance attendants.

EMERGENCY CALLS

In general the men handle the emergency calls. "The women usually take the domestic cases in to hospital, but sometimes the emergency calls can be rugged," said chief Le Quesne.

There is only one ambulance for View Royal, Langford, Colwood and Metchem—in fact all the area covered by the RCMP up to the Sooke border. So far this year it has responded to 302 calls.

9,500 PEOPLE

The Langford fire department, with 9,500 people in the district, has been far busier this year than any of its neighbors.

Its record of 151 calls answered this year is three times that of either View Royal or Colwood.

Three members of the department—Marshall Smith, Arthur McTavish and Henry Carter—own their own businesses.

"These men, who put their community responsibility before private gain," said Mr. Le Quesne, "are the backbone of the department."

"We owe them a great deal, and also other businesses which allow their men time off with pay to attend fires."

Several firemen—cum-ambulance men—are employed by the federal government, which allows time off to answer alarms.

36 FIREMEN

"Our 36 firemen have put in 2,495 man-hours this year," commented Mr. Le Quesne. "About 1,854 were at the weekly practices we hold, and 1,641 for fire alarms. We are proud of our men."

The fire department has two paid employees—Raymond Bradley, the secretary, and a maintenance man.

New Chance for Life

Tragedy Produces Fine Gift for Boy

COLUMBUS, Ohio (UPI) — A 17-year-old boy dying of kidney failure received the most precious Christmas gift possible Friday — a new chance for life from a little girl who had just died.

A kidney of the girl was removed within five minutes of her death and transplanted into the body of Alvin (Andy) Alltop during a dramatic, four-hour operation at Children's Hospital here.

"Right now, things look very encouraging," a surgeon said. "A youth who was dying 24 hours ago, now has a functioning kidney."

TWO TEAMS

Two surgical teams of three doctors each began the delicate double surgery five minutes after Nancy Hancock, 9, of rural Pickaway County, died from massive head injuries suffered when she was hit by a car.

Doctors inserted the kidney taken from the donor around the groin, leaving the boy with one functioning kidney and two poorly functioning ones.

Second Girl Says No

TRAPANI (Reuters)—A Sicilian girl rescued by police from her kidnapper, an ex-fiancee, broke an old island tradition Friday by refusing to marry him.

It was the second time in just over a week that the tradition of Sicilian girls marrying their abductor to save their honor has been broken.

"I would rather be dead than married to him," the girl said as she tearfully embraced her parents.

FOUND IN HOME

Mattia Chiaravolo, 22, was found Thursday night in the house of her ex-fiancee's brother outside her hometown of nearby Salemi.

Her 28-year-old ex-fiancee, Andrea Cirtuso, was arrested. "I did it to marry her," he said.

Mattia was grabbed and pushed into a car Monday while strolling with her mother, only four days after the sensational Franca Viola trial here.

BEATEN DOWN

Franca, a teen-ager, defied the Mafia and fought a successful court battle to put her abductor behind bars. Before the trial, a house and vineyard belonging to her father were mysteriously burned down and Mafia members threatened her with death.

The kidnapper, Filippo Melodia, 23, was jailed for 11 years.

Andy was listed in serious condition late Friday.

"His condition has stabilized. It's a step in the right direction," doctors said.

Surgeons talked with the girl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Adrian Hancock, who agreed to the kidney transplant as soon as the girl died.

"Part of Nancy will live within this boy," Mr. Hancock said.

CRITICAL Alltop had been in critical condition for about three weeks, and surgeons were geared to operate when the opportunity arose.

When Nancy's parents were approached about the kidney transplant, "they didn't hesitate a minute," a surgeon said.

A weird chain of events led to the surgery.

ON HIGHWAY Nancy alighted from her school bus Thursday and crossed the highway to get the family mail from a rural mail box.

When the bus pulled away, a car had stalled and southbound traffic began pulling left of centre to go around the stalled car. One of the cars struck Nancy.

She was rushed to Children's Hospital 20 miles away, where doctors immediately thought of Alltop, a resident of East Liberty, Ohio.

Alltop became ill nearly four years ago, but was placed on

problem now was his body's natural rejection of foreign tissue.

Alvin was given drugs to ward off a possible rejection and faces a critical period for about a month.

The critical list only a month ago. "Doctors said the main

Bomb Threat Nets \$2,500

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Courtroom Parade

Priest Jailed 45 Days

A Roman Catholic priest stood head down in the prisoner's dock in central magistrate's court Friday and heard himself sentenced to 45 days on his third charge of impaired driving in the past three years.

Three fellow priests, speaking on behalf of Rev. Hugh J. MacIsaac, described him as an "ideal priest who had done far in excess of average and done wonderful financial work."

GREAT ENERGY

"He is impulsive, a man of great energy," said one priest, who had known Father MacIsaac for 28 years.

For most of his career Father MacIsaac had been in charge of a mission for derelicts and alcoholics in surroundings that were depressing and affecting his health, the priest said.

Perhaps when he was working in the field with alcoholics, he discovered he had become part of it," said defence counsel Dermot Owen-Flood.

OVER WHEEL

In previous evidence, court was told Father MacIsaac was found slumped over the wheel of his car at Jacklin and Brock at about 2 p.m. July 22. The trial was delayed for technicalities.

"The good and revered father will know the Lord said we must testify by example. He is secure in that knowledge," said Magistrate William Oslter.

DIFFICULT CASE

"I am sure the reverend gentleman would not wish to be treated in any way differently from his equally unfortunate brothers who find themselves in this wretched position," the magistrate added.

He said it was a difficult case on which to pass sentence and added that, had the priest been warned about earlier convictions, the minimum sentence would have been three months.

In Vancouver, a church spokesman said Father MacIsaac has been on leave from the church for some time.

Three "common footpads" who committed cowardly acts received a tongue-lashing, plus jail terms for purse-snatching.

"It is a very sad state of affairs," said the magistrate, "when women cannot walk on the public streets of this or any other city without fear of attack by cowardly and skulking thugs."

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BOTH DIRECTIONS

He called the purse-snatchings "a planned and cowardly campaign."

The three boys, and a juvenile dealt with earlier in juvenile court, would approach their

victims from both directions. After snatching the purse, they would leap into a car driven by one of the gang and disappear.

Stanley Smith, 20, of Calgary and Ronald Williams, 19, of Medicine Hat, were sentenced to 18 months definite and six months indeterminate in the young offenders' unit at Haney.

SIX MONTHS

Smith's brother Warren, 18, who pleaded guilty to having a part in the purse-snatchings, received six months.

Concurrent terms were handed down on charges of shoplifting in the Victoria and Vancouver areas. Police found the stolen property when they searched the group's motel cabin.

Jan Moller, 17, of 1162 Fort, who ran away from police after they took him to his home to recover some stolen goods, was sentenced to 18 months on seven charges of shoplifting.

"You simply refuse to respond to any treatment," said Magistrate Oslter.

He said a lot of people had tried to help Moller and because of his youth, did not sentence him to the penitentiary but to the Haney young offenders' unit.

A break-in at O.K. Tire at 2688 Douglas sent Barry Soura of Nanaimo to the young offenders' unit for eight months.

Soura was one of three young men who broke into the shop and stole 10 tires.

Theft of tools from Henry Elliot, 17 Eaton Road, April 27 sent John William Robinson, 113 Helmsden, to jail for six months. His partner in the thefts, Harry Percival Cook, was given a suspended sentence and placed on a \$250 good behavior bond.

A woman who believes she must have gone crazy when she

stole \$27.99 in goods from The Bay and \$30.09 from Eaton's was let off on bail over the Christmas season.

Mrs. Eleanor Prediger of Courtenay, who returns to magistrate's court Jan. 5 for sentencing, had a 1½-year-old child with her.

She told arresting officers Thursday she had never done anything like this before. "I must have gone crazy," she said.

An indecent act cost Leo Stamp, 1319 Fernwood, his license plates for 18 months. He was put on a \$250 good behavior bond for the same period.

"Young people like you driving around in your own cars get ideas," said Magistrate Oslter.

Trying to take a truck without the owner's consent cost Edward Adams, 18, of 1132 McClure, a \$250 fine. He was also ordered to pay damages on the truck which he was trying to take from a driveway at 2191 Lafayette Dec. 15.

Court was told he had been drinking. Adams was placed on a \$250 good behavior bond.

Freda Eugene Sunberg of Nanaimo was fined \$50 on each of two counts of shoplifting. She

stole \$38.39 worth of goods from Eaton's and \$6 worth of soap from The Bay.

She had been in jail for a week awaiting sentence and Magistrate Oslter said that in itself was a penalty.

Prosecutor John MacIntyre said a pitiful aspect of the case was that the woman had enough money in her handbag to pay for the articles she had stolen.

William Douglas Simpson, 25, of 1721 Quadra, was fined \$350 on an impaired driving charge. His car ran into a ditch off the Trans-Canada Highway Thursday.

Found slumped over behind the wheel of his car early Friday, Thomas Brinkman, 28, of 1200 Lockley Road, was charged with impaired driving and fined \$350. His car ran off Highway 1A halfway up Four Mile Hill and went over a small stone wall.

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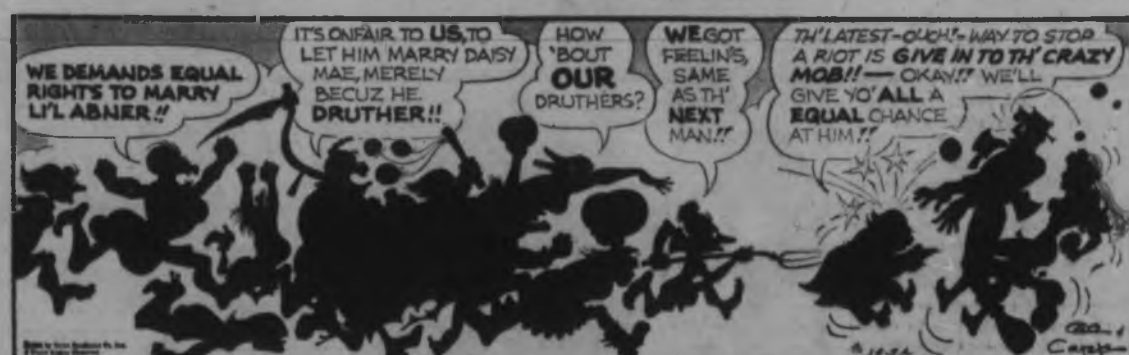
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Oak Bay Tries Dickens Twist

Proving that Oak Bay, Christmas and Dickens all go together are staff members of village grocery, from left, Norm Pimlott, proprietor; Alex Hall, butcher; Alex MacIntyre, produce salesman; Wynn Butler, cashier and

Kenneth Henderson, stockman. It's all part of Oak Bay merchants' way of having fun in Dickensian costume this week and doing business at same time. — (K. H. Kinsman)





Garden Notes

Dream Gift Dream

By M. V. CHESNUT

Seems to me the Christmas season starts around the middle of November — at least, as far as our local stores are concerned. Around that date one sees holly sprouting shyly in odd corners of the store windows, and soon after, my wife starts coming home with mysterious packages which are stowed surreptitiously under the bed and in unused trunks and cupboards. The open season for gift-hunting has started.

We try to do the job intelligently, sitting down and making our careful lists, but our relatives seem to multiply in number at this time of the year. There are hosts of half-forgotten cousins playing us with cards and calendars and limited tea-coasters, all demanding some response, and we wind up forgetting to send as much as a card to my Aunt Martha, who is the only member of the whole Chesnut tribe with any money.

I have long ceased to speculate about the presents I will receive on Christmas morning, for as far back as I can remember they have been variations on themes by Mennen's and Tootie and Tootie. I can dream, though, and I often find myself gazing vacantly into space, especially on Christmas Day, visualizing

a gift I would very much like to receive.

I will never get it, of course — unless Aunt Martha turns up trumps some day — but there is no harm in dreaming about my ideal gift — a greenhouse!

Mine is not just one of your ordinary common greenhouses, mind you. My neighbor Ernie has one of those, which leaks in several places and is being used at the moment to store a clutter of broken and discarded garden furniture. My Christmas dream greenhouse is nothing like that at all.

I can picture it quite clearly in my mind: A magnificent, sparkling thing, the framework of aluminum alloy, rustless, non-corrosive, waterproof, indestructible. The glass is unblemished, finished with a patent glass which refuses anchorage to soot and dirt. Inside, a fresh, buoyant atmosphere, with no damp crevices harboring woodlice and earwigs, but with a constant, equable climate in which all plants grow like crazy.

As a large gardeners' dream greenhouse, my place is completely automated. Thermostats control the temperature, switch on the heat, open and close the ventilators. Watering is by

instrument which anticipates exactly how much water the plants will need. The plants themselves grow in the modern soil-less mixtures, fed through the irrigation system with nutrient solutions.

Each Christmas, in my post-dinner reveries, I add some new refinement to my dream greenhouse. Several years ago, when we had that beasty fog on Christmas Day, I installed fluorescent lighting, so my plants are independent of the sun. Last year I put in a time switch controlling the lighting circuits, and a photo-electric cell to turn on the fluorescent tubes whenever the sun passes behind a cloud.

This year I am planning on a system of automatic shading to protect my plants from the hot sun in midsummer. Green-dated water will be pumped to the ridge of the roof, where it will run down the outside of the glass to the eaves, to be caught and re-circulated. This shading, too, will be controlled by a photo-electric cell.

Next year, I am toying with the idea of adding a complete air-conditioning unit to keep the greenhouse cool in summer and to maintain controlled humidity. It will be horribly expensive, but after all, money is no object where dreams are concerned.

JACK SMITH Feels Guilty

Card Veto Regretted

We aren't sending Christmas cards this year.

It was my idea. I had been threatening for years to give it up as an outmoded custom, too quaint for these times.

"It's getting out of hand," I said. "How many did we send last year — 200? 300? It takes too much time, for one thing. You worked two days and the nights, as I remember, addressing and stamping and sealing."

"All right," she said. "Just remember whose idea it was."

"Besides," I said, "nobody notices anyway. Who knows whether you send them a card or not?"

"All right. Just don't blame me."

The decision was made. We drifted beyond the point of no return.

Now the cards have been coming to our house for a week.

She spreads the new ones out on the dining room table every day. There are more than 100 already, I guess.

"We got a nice card from the Gills today," she will say. "Little Jeff is 13 already. Imagine!"

Or, "We got a card from the Lubovisks. He wants to look you up for lunch someday after New Year's."

Sometimes she makes me look at one. "Ocel and Cleo are sending UNICEF cards this year. Isn't that lovely?"

It was lovely; an impressionistic Holy Land scene by Arnold Blanch, warm and rich in color, of pilgrims following a star.

"Peace on earth," it said inside the card. "Good will

toward men. Paix sur la terre aux hommes de bonne volonté.

"Didn't we send something like that last year?" I asked.

"Yes. Here's one we had left over. Maybe we could just send it to somebody, at least."

It was a lovely card; an impressionistic painting of a Roman church, rich and warm, with the message inside—

"Season's greetings. C. Hobbins Toasm. Meilleurs vœux. Feliz ano nuevo."

"I still have the catalogue we ordered them from," she said. "Did you know that just one box of UNICEF cards sold will provide enough penicillin to cure 20 children of yaws?"

The cards keep coming. Every one an arrow. From the Trimbones, the Nelsons, the

Thompsons, the Sheldons, the Slades, the Murrys, the Dares, the Zimmermans, the Dunks, the Foleys, the Bernans, the Seidenbaums.

We are beyond redemption. We have scorned tradition, and it has enveloped us. We have forsaken our friends, and they have left the faith. Their candles light our darkness.

And only God knows how many children we have failed to rescue from yaws.

We are doomed to a year of penance.

Meanwhile, we can only say, to the Kennells and Garmers, the Kleins and Greens and Du Zars, the Cormiers and Malmins and McKennies and all the rest—

Paix sur la terre aux hommes de bonne volonté.

And don't cross us off your list, anybody. We'll be back.

The Rubbery World of SHEILAH GRAHAM

Stars Trump Aces

HOLLYWOOD (NANAY) — Now that bridge expert Alfred Sheilwald and his wife, Pat, are residents of Los Angeles, we have more bridges — clubs, that is — than New York and San Francisco combined. Lasso Greene has just bought the Savoy Bridge Club on Sunset Boulevard; the membership list includes Bart Lancaster, Beck Hudson and Billy Wilder. The Savoy Club is patterned after Crockford's in London. Omar Sharif, who plays in many of the world bridge championships arrived in town bringing two bridge experts with him — one from Egypt, one from Rome. Omar plans to set up a bridge school here. The late Buster Keaton was an avid bridge player.

Carol Channing plays a hayseed type who tries for a job on Broadway in her new TV show that starts next September. She moves in with a mounted policeman and his wife, Richard Daan — Mel of the Dick Van Dyke show — and Jane Dale whom you will remember from Phil Silvers' Bilko show. Deal Armas is directing and this marks his return to television. He is obviously nostalgic for his old show with Lucille Ball. When he was filming the first two shows, he kept referring to her as Lucy. He is also aware of the fact that she owns DeSilo. When she came over to wish him luck, he introduced her as "My Landlady."

An old fan of Frank Sinatra's tells me she cried while watching his recent television special. "I've been in love with

him since I was a teen-ager and let's face it, at 51, his voice is not as good as it was. But it's great the way he covers this up, with ad libs and up and down tempo where he doesn't have to sustain a note."

Simsone Signoret, a good sport in any language, was saying at Universal (where she is starring in Games) that while her Macbeth adventure on the London stage had cost her "a bloody fortune" — she was paid a measly \$150 a week — "it was a great experience, and I was better at the end than at the beginning. Because of that experience, I am a better actress."

The rumors are sure to start when Jean Simmons goes to London for Christmas, bringing her children, but not her husband, Richard Brooks. According to a rumor of Richard's, he cannot accompany his family because of working on the script of In Cold Blood which will go before the cameras in the Midwest some time in the spring. Jean will star in a TV show while she is in London.

Barbara Streisand thinks February will be too soon after the baby to begin the movie version of Funny Girl, which has been postponed to April. . . . Ilka Chase, who returned to Broadway as the harried mother-in-law in Nell Simms' continuing comedy, Barefoot in the Park, has a new book soon to be published, Fresh from the Laundry, about her travels in Communist countries.

ARTHUR HOPPE's Educational Fable

Pythias Let Side Down

Once upon a time there were twin brothers named Damon and Pythias Smeecher, who shared a deep love of learning. The only difference between them was that Damon loved to acquire learning and Pythias loved to give it away.

Loving learning as they did, they naturally joined the faculty of the University of Megapoli, which was the greatest treasure trove of learning in the whole wide world.

Damon decided to become a scholar of ancient Etruscan funeral orations because he loved dead languages and things like that. Pythias decided to become a teacher of life, because he loved life and things like that.

In hardly any time at all, Damon became the greatest scholar of ancient Etruscan funeral orations in the whole wide world. He wrote papers and books and was universally recognized as a leading authority in his field by both other authorities in his field.

So grants poured in to Damon from the Ford, Rockefeller and Maidenform Foundations. He was made a full professor at 27, head of his department at 31 and was always described at faculty teas as "a jewel in the diadem of this great university."

Meanwhile, his brother Pythias became the greatest teacher of life in the whole wide world.

His students loved him. They would flock to sit at his feet as he taught them how the stars wheel in their courses, why a cowslip blooms and what goodness was. He poured out everything he knew about everything and a generation of

students grew up wiser and kinder, instilled with a love of learning and love of life.

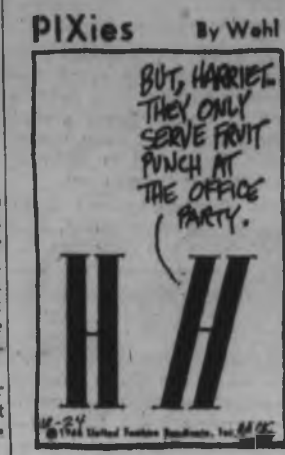
Of course, this kind of teaching took a lot of time and Pythias never did finish his paper entitled "What Life Is All About." But, as he said to himself, "No scholarly journal would publish a paper like that anyway."

At the age of 52, Pythias was called into the Dean's office. "Look here, Smeecher," said the Dean, "I noticed your name on the faculty roster. What do you do around here anyway?"

"I guess I just teach, sir," said Pythias apologetically.

"Good heavens, Smeecher," cried the Dean, cancelling his contract on the spot, "how can we go on being the greatest treasure trove of learning in the world, if you keep giving the stuff away?"

Moral: The modern university is a perfect place to get an education. If you're a member of the faculty.





Out for season Set for restart



VIEWSON SPORT

By Red Smith

The one and only original authentic Walter Hagen was 74 years old the other day, and perhaps the paper he reads out in Transverse City, Mich., carried Bill Jennings' announcement that the golfer in the Westchester Classic next August will be playing for a quarter million dollars, with \$50,000 for the winner. It is pleasant to speculate about his reaction.

It would not have occurred to him that he was born 40 years too soon, for nobody ever held money in greater disdain—his money and yours. "One thing about Walter," his manager, Bob Marlow, used to say, "he won't spend your money any faster than he spends his own."

Anyhow, by the financial standards of his time, the Haig did a bit better than all right. "He was the first man to make a million dollars in golf," Fred Corcoran says, "and spend two million."

Still, some inevitable comparisons must have occurred to Walter when he read about the Classic. It's going to be played at the Westchester Country Club over the same course where he and Gene Sarazen played for the "world championship" just 45 years earlier—and got \$500 each.

The Haig Had More Fun

In 1922 Hagen had won the British Open and Sarazen the United States Open, so they were matched for the "world championship" at 72 holes, 36 over Pittsburgh's Oakmont course and 35 in Harrison, N.Y. It was supposed to be for \$1,000, winner take all, but they split the purse down the middle.

A year or two ago when the Thunderbird Classic was at Westchester, a writer who had seen the Hagen-Sarazen match did a piece for the program recalling it. He submitted it to Fred Corcoran who read copy and then telephoned him.

"Good piece," Fred said, "but your memory slipped. You say Hagen won. Sarazen did."

"Sorry," the guy said, "make Gene the winner, but add a line saying Walter had more fun."

He knew he was on safe ground there, for two reasons. For one, Walter always had more fun than anybody, and Westchester was his home ground. He used to live at the club and probably still has a couple of trunks of clothes in storage there. When he was on the go, he had six dozen shirts that he'd leave behind in various hotels so there'd be fresh laundry waiting when he got back to town.)

The other reason Walter enjoyed himself more than Gene did was that Sarazen had appendicitis. He finished in half-collapse, was carried off the course, and an ambulance rushed him to the hospital.

The surgeon who operated still has the "World Champion's" appendix under glass in his office. Dr. Frank Landoles likes golf.

To get back to the birthday boy, Walter had been in and out of hospitals just last year and after a throat operation he had to learn all over how to talk. Bill Gargan, the actor who had the same operation, has made trips to Hagen's Michigan home on Echo Lake to help with his speech.

Nevertheless, when the pros shaped up at the Firestone Country Club for this year's 50th anniversary Professional Golfers Association championship, there was Sir Walter.

The only guy to win the PGA four times in a row—nobody else has won three straight—was as gloriously arrayed as ever, wore the old familiar Haig & Haig tan, and had the same old Piping Rock strut. "Hagen always walked with his head in the air," Fred Corcoran has written in his memoirs, "as if subconsciously looking over the heads of ordinary mortals."

Something For the Bartender

The \$250,000 pot for the Westchester Classic's 72 holes is the gross prize money for a whole year of professional tournaments in Hagen's day. In 1934 Paul Runyan was the top money winner with \$6,767. The next year Johnny Revolta grabbed \$9,543 of the \$135,000 in prizes available to American pros. In 1936 Corcoran became the PGA tournament manager.

Chase Manhattan has had a friend in golf ever since. A few years ago after Gene Littler had won the Thunderbird, Corcoran told him there was a series of ten matches he could play in two weeks for \$150,000. "Fred," said Gene, who picked up \$56,000 and some change that year, "I've made so much money I'm just going fishing."

These guys had Hagen to thank for it. It was he who grabbed the public imagination and moved the professional golfer out of the servant class.

If, on his birthday, he read about the Westchester Classic and its \$50,000 first prize, he felt no envy and had no regrets. "That," he probably said to himself, "would come in very handy for champagne."

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Real Russians Here And Get 28-0 Start

CORNER BROOK, Nfld. (CP) — The Russian national hockey team Friday night humiliated Corner Brook Royals, Newfoundland's senior champs, 28-0 in the opening game of a 10-game Canadian tour.

Vyacheslav Starshinov led the

world amateur champions with five goals. Scoring four apiece were Veniamin Alexandrov, Eugene Zimin and Boris Majorov. Aleksander Almetov fired three and Anatoly Firsov and Victor Polupanov, two apiece.

The others were scored by Edward Ivanov, Victor Blinov, Victor Jakushev and Vladimir Vikulov.

SHOOT 74 TIMES

The Soviet team thrilled 2,000 fans with lightning speed and precision passing. They fired 74 shots at Corner Brook goalies Tony Keough and Doug Grant. Victor Zinger had to make 18 saves in the Russian net.

The Russians scored eight goals in the first period, and were leading 17-0 going into the third. Only one penalty, to Russia's Ivanov, was called in the game played under international rules.

The Soviet team will meet St. John's Capitals Monday before heading for exhibition games in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The team's centennial tournament in Winnipeg.

Weekend Sports

SATURDAY

8:30 p.m.—Western League, Victoria Maple Leafs vs. Vancouver Canucks, Memorial Arena.

MONDAY

9:15 a.m.—Daily Colonist Christmas Tree Tournament, Uplands Golf Course, RIGBY.

1:30 p.m.—Inter-City Exhibition, Victoria vs. Vancouver, Memorial Park, alternate ground, University of Victoria.

WEDNESDAY

4:30 p.m.—Vancouver Island Junior League, Victoria vs. Esquimalt, Memorial Arena.

TUESDAY

7 p.m.—Bob Whyte Invitational Tournament, Victoria Chinook vs. Victoria Red Lob, 1st. Central Junior High School.

8:30 p.m.—Bob Whyte Invitational Tournament, UBC Jayvets vs. University of Victoria Vikings, Central Junior.

Down But Not Out, Ailing But Alive

That's Our Maple Leafs But They're Set to Get Up

Victoria Maple Leafs are down but not out, ailing but not dying. Their roster reads like the Dunkirk casualty list, their misfortune would turn a Jonah's head.

The worst news came Friday when Fred Hucul confirmed what everyone had feared—that he was out for the rest of the season.

He said he will undergo an operation on a spinal disc in the New Year but it probably won't mean the end of hockey for the 33-year-old defenceman.

Bill Shvetz underwent the same operation a few years ago and was back playing six months later.

MORE BAD NEWS

Coach Frank Marlo learned Friday of the death of a young sister in Regina. He will fly east Monday, returning Wednesday.

There was some good news. Larry Keenan was back on the ice Friday morning after a lay-off with a broken heel, suffered in the sixth game of the season.

Manager Buck Houle said Keenan needs some workouts but will probably play Wednesday against San Diego Gulls at home.

PROMISING SHIFT

And there's the shift, last Wednesday, of Bob Barlow to centre.

Houle says Barlow played well in the new position. "I think it was his best game of the season."

Barlow has been hampered recently by a pulled muscle and has been in a season-long scoring slump.

Now about the long list of injuries.

Milan Marcetia was forced to sit out the Portland game with mild concussion. He was tripped at the net in the Los Angeles

game Tuesday and struck the back of his head on a goalpost.

Houle says Marcetia appears fully recovered and will probably play tonight against Vancouver at Memorial Arena.

Sandy Hucul is still playing with a fractured toe and Claude Labrosse had played three

games with injured arm and shoulder muscles.

Shvetz, who couldn't skate for two games, has recovered from a pulled tendon muscle in the left leg.

Lou Jankowski has appeared in the last five games with a bruised foot and toe received when he stopped a shot which caved in the toe of his skate.

Al Smith got a skate in the neck at Los Angeles as Willy O'Ree scored against the Leafs. He needed five stitches to close the gash, which was dangerously near his jugular vein.

AD INFINITUM

And so the casualties go on. Steve Whittuk has been playing with a bad back muscle and a sore groin. Ant Erickson has just got over a bout of the flu.

A newcomer on the squad is big Tom Polanic, nicknamed Herman Munster by his new teammates. Polanic came to the Leafs from Tulsa last Saturday, and he came off the injured list after missing two weeks of play.

HELL SCARE 'EM

Houle says Polanic, who stands six feet, one inch and weighs around 200 pounds, is a bit shy on condition.

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SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — Springfield Indians, smarting from an abortive four-day revolt against owner Eddie Shore, made Providence a whipping post by beating the Reds 9-3 Friday night in snapping a four-game American Hockey League losing streak.

The Indians, who agreed reluctantly on the advice of a lawyer to end a walkout in protest of the suspensions of four players, struck for three goals in each period with a hustling performance.

Fifteen of the 16 Indians dressed for action are regular members of the team which refused even to practise for two days during the walkout.

The quartet still suspended comprises the tribe's top three defencemen — Dale Rolfe, Bill White and Dave Amadio—and centre Brian Kilrea.

The only new player pressed into service by Shore was winger Larry Billock who was sent in from Memphis Wings of the Central League in answer to Shore's call for player help earlier in the week. Four other imported players were not used.

Labrosse had played three

games Tuesday and struck the back of his head on a goalpost.

Houle says Marcetia appears fully recovered and will probably play tonight against Vancouver at Memorial Arena.

Sandy Hucul is still playing with a fractured toe and Claude Labrosse had played three

games with injured arm and shoulder muscles.

Shvetz, who couldn't skate for two games, has recovered from a pulled tendon muscle in the left leg.

Lou Jankowski has appeared in the last five games with a bruised foot and toe received when he stopped a shot which caved in the toe of his skate.

Al Smith got a skate in the neck at Los Angeles as Willy O'Ree scored against the Leafs. He needed five stitches to close the gash, which was dangerously near his jugular vein.

And so the casualties go on. Steve Whittuk has been playing with a bad back muscle and a sore groin. Ant Erickson has just got over a bout of the flu.

A newcomer on the squad is big Tom Polanic, nicknamed Herman Munster by his new teammates. Polanic came to the Leafs from Tulsa last Saturday, and he came off the injured list after missing two weeks of play.

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No, It's Not Because It's Christmas

Hockey fans seldom see a scene as peaceful as this one, but it had nothing to do with the season of good will to man. It took place in Toronto Thursday in intercollegiate game between Cornell and York Universities

and it was caused when Dave McBride of the Canadian team lost his contact lenses. After they were recovered, Cornell went on to gain un-Christmaslike 10-4 victory.—(CP)

Bucks Play Poorly Still Beat Canucks

PORTLAND & VANCOUVER 1

SEATTLE & OAKLAND 1

PORTLAND BUCKAROS didn't

play well Friday night but none-

theless extended their lead in the

Western Hockey League

standings to 11 points when Van-

couver Canucks played worse.

The Buckaros won 3-1 to

stop the second-place Canucks' run of 12 consecutive wins on

home ice.

In other WHL action, Seattle

Totems got into a scoring rut

against Oakland Seals and

pushed in two goals a period to

head the Seals, 6-1.

The win gave the Totems a

share of fourth place with the

Seals.

Both teams had trouble con-

trolling the puck in a lacklustre

game at Vancouver.

Larry Popein got Vancouver's

sole goal which was quickly

evened by Alain Caron. Bill

Saunders scored the go-ahead

goal and then added one for in-

surance for Portland.

The two goals brought his total

for the season to 15.

Bill Dineen scored two goals

for the Seattle Totems but Larry

Lund had two assists in addition

to his goal to lead the Seattle

scoring with three points.

Lund opened the scoring in the

first period and Earl Heiskala

followed with another. Noel

Picard and Dineen were suc-

cessful in the second period.

Forbes Kennedy finally broke

the drought for the Seals early

in the third but the Totems kept

up a rapid pace with goals by

Dineen and Dave Parenteau.

George Swarbrick of the Seals

and Bobby Taylor of the Totems

drew double minor penalties of

four minutes each in the third

period for fighting, with an addi-

tional misconduct penalty of 10 minutes

for Taylor.

Next game: Tonight—Vancouver at

VICTORIA.

SEATTLE & OAKLAND 1

PORT



Hovercraft Feasible

New Craft Pays

Hovercraft ferry service for Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands is a possibility in the immediate future, says James Mills, managing director of Bell Aerosystems Canada.

Two potential buyers of the high-speed, air-cushion amphibians have applied for operating licences to the Air Transport Board, Mr. Mills said in Victoria Thursday.

NO IDENTITIES

He declined to give identities of the customers, but said one wants to operate among the Gulf Islands and the other plans to run passengers between Vancouver and the Island.

Mr. Mills spent five years in Esquimalt as a navy lieutenant-

commander before retiring a year ago. He joined Bell Aerosystems Canada when it was formed this fall.

CANADIAN MARKET

The firm is developing the Canadian market for the hovercraft—or air-cushion vehicle—which rides over water or land on a cushion of compressed air. Toronto-based Mr. Mills is in Victoria to spend Christmas with his family. Discussing the future of the hovercraft Thursday, Mr. Mills took issue with Highways Minister Gagliardi, who said in September that hovercraft service here was at least five years away.

HERE AND NOW

"They're not years off; they are here and now," said Mr. Mills.

"The biggest potential market is right here in Canada," he added.

The machine can skim over muskeg and tundra to support Arctic oil exploration, he said. Frozen or flowing rivers are the hovercraft's natural roadways.

Great Britain is developing luxury passenger vessels, Mr. Mills observed. The U.S. seems to be concentrating on military versions; three hovercraft are already scouting the swamps of Vietnam.

Adaptation to Canadian needs will likely produce a "work-horse" version, he predicted. At present Bell Aerosystems is concentrating on researching the potential market.

Later the SR-N3, a 90-passenger, 60-mile-an-hour machine could be introduced.

IN PRODUCTION

Already in production in the U.K. and U.S. are hovercraft with useful loads ranging from 2½ to 80 tons. Planned "in the not-too-distant future" are machines to carry 400 and 700 tons at a top speed of about 150 miles an hour.

Machine which might be used initially on Island-mainland runs

would likely be the SR-N6, a 31-passenger, 60-mile-an-hour craft, said Mr. Mills.

Ferry services at this speed would take Island commuters to Vancouver in half an hour.

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Guard's Gift Booby-Trapped

wrecked the kitchen and bathroom of the house.

Newton's wife, Eleanor, was at work at her teller's job at the Royal Bank of Canada in nearby Whalley at the time and the couple's infant daughter was being cared for by a baby-sitter.

Newton, a guard at the penitentiary for 18 years, suffered burns and cuts to his face and stomach in addition to losing his hands. His son was hit in the face, arms, neck and chest by flying metal.

Police said the blast was caused by "an unidentified explosive device received by parcel post."

The blast triggered a frantic telephone operation by penitentiary officials to warn more than 200 other guards not to touch unopened Christmas parcels they may have received.

No other bombs were located, officials said.

Inspector W. R. Morrison of the Surrey detachment of the RCMP said whoever sent the parcel made sure it was a fairly explosive charge.

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Near Calgary

Triple Crash Kills Seven

CALGARY (CP)—Seven persons were killed and four injured Friday in a four-vehicle collision on the brow of a hill 11 miles west of Calgary.

RCMP said the dead were occupants of one car and the injured were riding in two half-ton trucks.

The multi-vehicle pileup occurred on a narrow stretch of highway 1A four miles east of Cochrane, Alta.

FOUR IN FAMILY
The accident claimed the lives of four members of the same family, RCMP said all the dead were residents of the Morley Indian Reserve west of Calgary. No names were released.

Killed were two young children, aged about four and five, two men, two women and still-born baby.

A man in the death car was in serious condition at foothills hospital in Calgary. Three per-

sons from the other vehicles also were in hospital in serious condition. Extent of their injuries was not determined.

A witness said the highway was bare and driving conditions good when the accident occurred about 7 p.m. MST.

DEUX RIVIERES, Ont. (CP)—Four people are dead and four are in hospital following a three-car collision near this community, about 110 miles northwest of Ottawa.

Dead are: Mrs. Nick Di Liso, 41, of Montreal; her son, Michel, 17; Claude Wood, 64, of Repulse, Ont. and Henry Patrick Desjardins, 42, of North Bay.

In fair condition in hospital are Inez Desjardins, 36, wife of the dead man; their 11-year-old son, Rodney, and nine-year-old Constance Di Liso of Montreal and her father Nick Di Liso, 40.

January 5

Insurance Probe Returning to City

The royal commission appointed by the government last January to look into all aspects of the field of automobile insurance will hold another hearing in Victoria next month.

The commission, which began its hearing here in May before moving to other parts of the province, will hold a public meeting in the Victoria Law Courts building, 850 Burrard, at 11 a.m. Jan. 5.

Members of the commission are Mr. Justice R. A. Wootton, chairman, and Dr. P. A. Lussig and Charles E. S. Walls of Victoria.

PROBE DELAYS
In addition to considering high costs of insurance and problems related to compensation, the commission appointed by cabinet order on Jan. 25 has been asked to study situations in which settlement delays have been caused by high-cost court litigation.

Members of the public will be allowed to make submissions to the commission when the hearing is held here next month.

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Fort Site Given Protection

The recently-discovered site of an old fort built by American fur trader Capt. Robert Gray in the fall of 1791 off the west coast of Vancouver Island was declared an archaeological site Friday by the provincial cabinet.

The site on Meares Island north of Tofino, was where Capt. Gray wintered while he assembled a 45-ton ship named the Adventure.

It was found earlier this year by Tofino contractor Kenneth Gibson.

Provincial archivist Willard Ireland said he hopes an examination can be carried out there next year, if funds are available.

In the meantime, the 135-acre site believed by experts to be the authentic spot where the wooden fort and small shipyard were built 175 years ago, will be protected from souvenir-hunters by the Archaeological and Historic Sites Protection Act.

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Chief for Christmas

INDIO, Calif. — Rabbi Philip Weinberg will run the police force in this city of 15,000 Christmas Day so Police Chief Homer Hunt, a Methodist, can spend the holiday with his family.

Rabbi Weinberg, 45, who moved to Indio this year, said he did the same in Reno, Nev., for the past six years. In Reno, Roman Catholic Police Chief Elmer Briscoe confirmed it and added: "He'll be missed this year, especially by me. I'll be working my first Christmas in six years."

LOS ANGELES — Mickey Rooney's sixth wife, Margaret, 45, sued for divorce blaming "emotional and physical suffering" and asked for \$845 a month temporary support.

ROME — Egyptian Galal Shafy, 27, who said he was a West German-trained physicist and had been kidnapped by Egyptian diplomats, has been put on a plane for home by police.

SCARBOROUGH, Maine — David Gagnon thinks he knows who put an old upright piano labelled "Merry Christmas from Santa Claus" in his driveway. He says: "Down at the office when anybody wants to get rid of some junk, I say I'll take it. This time nobody asked me."

ATHENS — The new caretaker Greek government of Premier Ioannis Paraskevopoulos was assured of enough support for a parliamentary vote of confidence. He will govern until elections in five months.

AMRITSAR, India — Sikh holy man Sant Fateh Singh, who planned to immolate himself Tuesday unless the government set up a separate Sikh state, now says he'll back down if an inquiry commission looks into the matter.

TORONTO — The immigration department ordered the deportation of Vincenzo Alongi, 28, a Sicilian immigrant who faces a charge of murdering a man in Agrigento, Sicily. He was arrested in Oshawa Monday during a raid by police looking for bootleg liquor.

BUDAPEST — Hungary agreed to release Mrs. Janet Lemme of Seattle Dec. 29 and her German-born Canadian husband Volker Feb. 28. They were sentenced in September to six and eight months for an attempt to smuggle relatives from Hungary last summer.

NEW DELHI — Onetime Nehru aide V. K. Krishna Menon resigned from the ruling Congress party after 35 years, because of his opposition to Prime Minister Gandhi.

MONTE CARLO — Indian painter Kapoor Bhagwan, 19, beat opposition from 19 countries to win the \$1,000 Prince Rainier art prize for young talent with a series of abstracts.

TRENTON, N.J. — State Institutions director Lloyd McCorkle has decided the state prison doesn't need a \$25,000 electric chair. He said New Jersey has had only two electrocutions since 1956 and besides, "if you're sitting there, you aren't going to care if it's Danish modern or antique."

BUDAPEST — The former chief of the Communist Chinese army, Lo Jai-Ching, has been arrested, the Peking correspondent of the Hungarian news agency MTI reported.

LOS ANGELES — Television commentator Louis Lomax says he has permission from the U.S. and North Vietnam to interview Ho Chi Minh in Hanoi.

MASERU, Lesotho — Prime Minister Jonathan of the new African nation of Lesotho said

Objector Wins Battle

SYDNEY (Reuters) — Conscientious objector William White has won his battle for exemption from conscription into the Australian army.

White, a 21-year-old school-teacher, was dragged into the army last November by civilian and military police after losing a long court battle as a conscientious objector. His case aroused sympathy among opponents of the government's Vietnam policy.

When placed under military supervision he refused to obey orders or wear a uniform. He was court-martialed and spent 21 days in an army jail.

White was exempted Friday after a magistrate ruled the man's beliefs were considered and conscientious.

It will not take part in economic sanctions against Rhodesia.

LUSAKA, Zambia — President Kaunda said Zambia has decided to negotiate directly with Rhodesia to ensure an early breakup of their jointly-owned railway system.

SALISBURY — British-appointed Governor Sir Humphrey Gibbs says he'll stay on in Government House, despite Prime Minister Smith's contention that Rhodesia is already a republic.

HILLSBORO, Ohio — Judge Darrell Hottle has declared his annual moratorium on granting divorces during the Christmas season. None will be granted until after Dec. 31.



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Single and unattached men will be taken care of at noon Sunday at the men's social centre, 321 Johnson, under the direction of Brig. and Mrs. Cecil Bonar.

The centre will be open all day Monday. There will be a carol service at 10 a.m., films from 11 a.m. to noon and Christmas dinner at noon. There will be special entertainment in the afternoon, a smorgasbord supper at 5 p.m. and more films in the evening.

Pursuit Ends In Death

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — A man shot himself in the head and died later in hospital Friday following a bank holdup and car chase through this city east of Vancouver.

Police said a lone armed bandit entered an Imperial Bank of Commerce branch, demanded money, then fled with the cash in a car. A few minutes later Burnaby RCMP officers spotted a vehicle sought in connection with the holdup and gave chase.

The car was cornered in a blind alley in nearby Coquitlam. Police said that before they could arrest the suspect, he fired a .22 calibre bullet into his head.

Officers said a bag containing an undetermined amount of cash was recovered. Further details were unavailable.

'They Spend It'

Women Should Play Part

VANCOUVER (CP) — Spokesman for two B.C. consumer associations Thursday welcomed recommendations for a federal consumer affairs department and said women should play a leading role in it.

The department was recommended this week by the joint Senate-Commons committee on consumer credit and cost of living.

"This is just what we need and it should be headed by a typical consumer — a youngish woman," said Mrs. Carol Millan, president of WASP (Women Against Soaring Prices).

THEY SPEND IT — "Men make the money but the women spend it. They are the ones who do the shopping," Mrs. Millan said the department should act as a watchdog for consumers' interests and should be available to receive and investigate complaints.

Mrs. P. R. A. Coombs of Victoria, provincial president of the Consumers Association of Canada, said the association had been working for such a department for several years.

"Women don't necessarily have to head the department but they should play a leading role in it," she said.

PUBLIC WATCHDOG — "It would act as a watchdog or a public ombudsman for the consumer's dollar," Mrs. Coombs said the department could also do consumer education on shopping, price research and co-ordination of legislation relating to consumer prices.

Mao's Foe Reported Arrested

BELGRADE (UPI) — A top Chinese Communist party official, one of three said by a Japanese correspondent in Peking to have committed suicide, has been arrested, it was reported Friday.

The Yugoslav news agency Tanjug said the official "has been taken away." The Peking dispatch said the phrase means "arrested here."

The Peking correspondent of Japan's Yomiuri Shimbun newspaper quoted reports in the Chinese capital that three top party officials considered opponents of chairman Mao Tse-tung and his heir-apparent Lin Biao had committed suicide.



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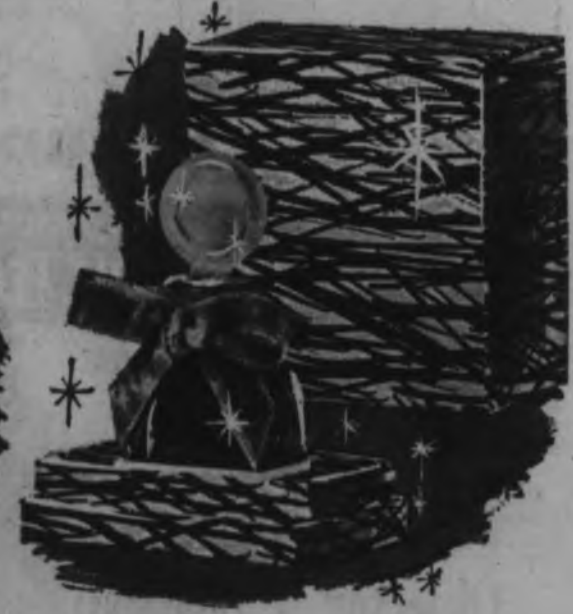


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Navy Firemen Claim

Esquimalt Fire Backup To Vanish by New Year

By NANCY BROWN

Esquimalt municipality in one week is going to lose the fire protection it is presently enjoying from the naval fire departments, according to a spokesman for Local F.3 (navy) of the International Association of Firefighters.

A great deal of controversy has surrounded Esquimalt's fire protection arrangements for some time.

At present the police department also doubles as fire department, although the police union would prefer to see separate departments.

Esquimalt council, claiming costs of a separate department would be too high, has maintained the combined department.

backed up by an unwritten understanding that the navy would provide back-up service.

As recently as the beginning of December Councillor Edward De Costa, a member of Esquimalt's fire committee, claimed that a written agreement was expected "daily" from the defence department for a reciprocal agreement that Esquimalt and the naval fire departments should help each other.

One Hall to Close

The union spokesman said that on Jan. 1 the firemen will begin a shorter, 42-hour work week, and rather than take on additional men, one firehall will be closed down.

The naval fire service halls are located at Dockyard, CFB Esquimalt (Naden), Rocky Point magazine, Belmont Park housing area (including Royal Roads) and VU-33 Utility Air Squadron, Patricia Bay.

The Dockyard hall services Work Point barracks and the CFB Esquimalt hall looks after minor facilities at Munro Head. Both Esquimalt and naval authorities last night denied the possibility of a change in their reciprocal agreement, although

a naval statement conceded that there was a possibility of the Naden fire department being closed, and said Esquimalt municipality and naval authorities were studying various unnamed proposals.

Reeve Ray Bryant, Coun. De Costa, and Police and Fire Chief Smart said they knew of no change in the offering.

Coun. De Costa said he was still looking for the agreement from Ottawa, and Reeve Bryant said there had been no discussion by either the fire committee or the council. "Council is responsible for fire protection in the district, and if these firehalls are closing down it would be a matter of serious concern to council."

Ottawa Man Silent

Director of National Defence firefighting services in Ottawa, Commander Neil Duval refused to comment.

A naval spokesman here said it would take an additional 25 or 26 men to man the Dockyard service only as it is at present, with the shorter work week, and defence headquarters had refused to hire more men.

In a prepared statement last night, a naval spokesman said:

"A study is being made of the possibility of consolidating fire fighting facilities at CFB

(Naden) Esquimalt, with a purpose of developing the most efficient and economical method of protecting DND property without disturbing the concept of supporting the municipal fire department.

"The plan presently under study would also be related to a forthcoming 42-hour work week for the base firefighters, effective in January 1967.

"The study is looking at the possibility of closing the fire detachment now located at CFB Esquimalt, and re-locating equipment between the Dockyard and Belmont Park departments.

"The proposal is currently being studied by DND officials in Ottawa and CFB Esquimalt, and the municipality of Esquimalt.

"However, no final decision has yet been reached."

National Film

Centennial Square A Star

A film showing the conversion of a derelict area into what now is Victoria's Centennial Square will be made available as an object lesson to the rest of Canada by the federal government.

Responsible for the release is Roderick Clark, former special projects officer for the city, who was largely behind the concepts of both Centennial and Bastion squares and now is community improvement project officer for the national centennial commission.

Now in Ottawa, Mr. Clark informed the Colonist Friday he hopes the film will be a useful instrument toward making better towns for Canadians.

The film was begun in 1963 when work on the renewal of the city centre began. Working along with Mr. Clark and his assistants were a group of dedicated citizens who recorded the step-by-step progress of the project.

Civic backing for the project was at first refused but the work went on through the loan of equipment and backing by individuals and firms.

TIME AND MONEY Finally some municipal help was given, but the film would never have been completed had it not been for the voluntary effort of many people who gave time and money.

Shooting for the film was completed in mid-1966 and final technical production, including preparation of a script for what was then The Victoria Story, was assisted by a federal grant from the centennial commission. The film now is entitled Townscape Rediscovers.

Health Issue Black Target

A meeting with new provincial Health Minister Black has been arranged for Wednesday to try to arrive at a solution of the complex and difficult Metropolitan Board of Health problem, Mayor Hugh Stephen said Friday.

Present with the mayor and the minister will be the reeves of Oak Bay, Saanich, Central Saanich and Esquimalt.

Six months ago, the three urban members of the metropolitan health district, Victoria, Oak Bay and Esquimalt, gave notice that they would be withdrawing from the board.

This move, which followed months of dissatisfaction with the setup, presaged the end of the whole arrangement entered into some years ago by municipalities from the whole of the Saanich Peninsula and the Gulf Islands.

Withdrawal date was given as Dec. 31 and, for the past few weeks, there has been a determined effort on the part of the board's members to arrange a meeting with the provincial government to work out some sort of satisfactory substitute.

However, the public has been assured by the board chairman, Reeve R. G. Lee of Central Saanich, there will be no cessation of health services.

The board's staff will carry on, on a month-to-month basis if necessary, until the problem is solved.

The urban municipalities' dissatisfaction stems from the fact that they are, by the terms of the original constitution, required to pay at the rate of approximately \$2 per capita for the board's upkeep while the several rural members, including Saanich, pay at the rate of from 20 to 40 cents a head of population.

The need for a solution at the provincial level was made more imperative recently when the regional board of the capital district was asked to take the area's public health administration under its wing. The board said it would be happy to take over, but not until an equitable cost-sharing formula had been worked out.

Mayor Stephen said he was pleased the new minister was able to find a place on his agenda so quickly for the problem.

Vendors Take Holiday

Today is the last chance to buy liquor until the middle of next week.

All government liquor stores in B.C. will close at 6 p.m. today and reopen 88 hours later, at 10 a.m. Wednesday, says the Liquor Control Board.

Licensed premises such as beer parlors and cocktail lounges can legally stay open until 11:30 p.m. today, but many of them will probably close early because of Christmas Eve. They can reopen at 10 a.m. Monday.

But Police May Twig

Breathwash Sells Well

A good many Victorians seem to be hoping they can fool the police if they get caught driving after a few drinks.

A number of drugstores here reported Friday night they were sold right out of various breath deodorizer compounds. Others said sales had been brisk, but they still had stock.

"I sold out very early tonight and had to refuse two different people who just phoned up," said the manager of a large Fort Street pharmacy.



—Robin Clarke

Banta Johl and new special plate

Red, White and Special

Consul Plates Won't Give Free Parking

The foreign consular corps in British Columbia will have special licence plates in 1967.

A model of the new red-on-white licence plate which bears the word CONSUL followed by three digits in the 500 bracket, was unveiled Friday morning by Motor Vehicle Superintendent Ray Hadfield.

But though the political dignitaries will be in a category separated from hol polid, there is no guarantee they will receive any special privileges.

They will have to pay for their plates the same as anyone else, and if they want concessions from such nuisances as parking regulations they will have to carry out their own negotiations with the local city fathers.

It is anticipated that about 70 sets of the consular plates will be sold, and they will be issued in straight order starting with the number 501 — to avoid any squabbles about who has the best number.

Mr. Hadfield said the special consular plate, never before used in B.C., "will be issued to persons who are natives of the country they represent or those who are B.C. citizens but have been appointed as consuls for foreign countries."

He said Attorney-General Bonner authorized the issuance of the unusual plates in compliance with a request from the consular corps.

"It is something which is done in other provinces and in most countries for persons with this type of diplomatic position," said Mr. Hadfield.

"I believe that in some cities they have immunity to parking regulations, but that's not our concern. That's entirely a local government matter."

Last year, B.C. came out with a black-on-white, lifetime vintage car plate which sells for \$20 and can be used on vehicles more than 30 years old, for special occasions only.

Another unusual licence plate which is sometimes seen on the highways in an amateur (ham) radio operator plate, which B.C. started issuing about five years ago.

It is an annual licence plate with the regular colors, which is sold for the regular annual fee, but which carries the identification VE7 followed by the individual's own call letters.



—Robin Clarke

Noble steed and Sandy Hayton

Queenie Made It To 18th Christmas

By BERT BINNY

Queenie, the horse who once labored mightily in Beacon Hill Park but is now living in honorable retirement, received a Christmas gift of a new halter and shank Friday.

She may not be quite so fond of her new finery as she is of the bran mash she gets during the cold weather, but actually she is fortunate to be around at all.

Just a week or two ago she had an accident.

The princess of the park peacock pens lost her balance while scratching her tail, toppled over and became wedged between two obstructions.

Her keeper, Sandy Hayton, discovered her early in the morning. Experts were immediately summoned and Queenie was hoisted out with a block and tackle, after one side of a small chicken house had been

demolished with a sledgehammer to make room. Queenie, who is no chicken, was badly shaken and sustained a nasty injury over one eye. But her 18th birthday coming up in the bran mash plus the ministrations of Mr. Hayton have restored her completely.

She pursues her gracious and dignified way as before, with the 19th birthday coming up in the 1967.

Grant Deadline Near

Loss to Owners Could Be High

There's no telling how many Greater Victoria homeowners will be losing \$110 in taxes next week, but the figure could be surprisingly high.

Opportunity for people whose taxes were unpaid as of Oct. 31 to take advantage of the \$110 home-owner grant ends this month, and most municipal officials are uncertain what percentage of eligible homeowners have applied.

"It's almost impossible to determine how many are eligible but haven't applied," said one Esquimalt taxation official. "I suppose there are a number, though."

DIDN'T APPLY Although Victoria officials also balked at giving an estimated number, Saanich said 50 to 100 of its eligible homeowners had not applied for the grant, and the three northern municipalities, Central and North Saanich and Sidney, listed 30, 12 and five respectively.

Oak Bay said "a few."

MISSSES GRANT Each homeowner who misses the Dec. 31 deadline in applying for the grant, misses the grant itself. But homeowners can beat the December deadline

for claiming it, even if they don't pay their delinquent taxes until next year. Reason larger municipalities cannot determine the number of eligible homeowners they have is that they cannot determine how many homes in the province local homeowners own. Only one home can be claimed for a grant.

REMINDEES MAILED Provincial tax officials said Thursday they mailed 689 reminders recently to people in Colwood, Langford, View Royal and Metcalfe whose taxes were unpaid as of Oct. 31.

It was a reminder to taxpayers they could beat the December deadline for claiming the \$110 homeowner grant—even if they don't pay their delinquent taxes until next year. About \$75,000 in grants is still unclaimed.

Deadlines for unorganized territory taxpayers who want to come in to claim the grant and pay their delinquent taxes will be Dec. 30.

But home-owner grant applications from persons who do not wish to pay their taxes until next year can be sent in by mail, provided they are postmarked no later than Dec. 31.

University Project Goes at \$677,000

The contract for two new residences at the University of Victoria has been awarded to C. J. Oliver Ltd. of Vancouver, it was announced Friday. The bid of \$677,000 was the lowest of seven.

Construction will begin immediately, adjacent to two existing residences for women. The new building will house 168 men.

Together with a central core, also to be built next year, the residences will comprise UVic's first college. Residential and non-residential students will be associated with the college as a social unit rather than a teaching faculty.

"It should be carried on," said Mr. Barrie. "It has helped many men over the winter."

Works Drop Hit

Canada's federal winter works program should be continued, Victoria Labor Council president Robert Barrie said Friday.

He made the statement following a prediction Wednesday in the Commons by Manpower Minister Marchand that the program would be revised or abolished next year.

"It should be carried on," said Mr. Barrie. "It has helped many men over the winter."

Vanished Sunday

Mailman Found Dead At Willows Beach

The body of a missing mailman was found by police Friday on Willows Beach.

John Phillips of 1033 North Park left work last Sunday saying he was ill, and then vanished.

Mr. Phillips, 58, was born in England and had lived in Victoria for the past 25 years.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy, a married daughter, Mrs. Joy Dykstra, and a son John, all of whom live in Victoria.

Seen In Passing

Bert Barnes late Christmas card buying... (Manager of British Columbia Forest Products sawmill division in Victoria, he lives at 3115 Yorkville Road, with his wife Esther. His favorite hobbies are golf and photography.)... Phyllis Falster picking her mother up at the airport... Bob Cunningham gathering holly... Michael Stirling scanning the sky... Nancy Arscott with a new hair-style... Wes Adams saying hello to a friend... Frank Jackson tuning his guitar... Linda Beadle out on a coffee break... Richard Bonner cutting a slice of meat... Patricia Lawrie wishing everybody a Merry Christmas... Donald McKennie sending a Christmas card to his girlfriend... Heather Brown talking on the phone.

Bert



Enjoying the Christmas party held by the Newcomers Club at King Arthur's Round Table are club president, Mrs. Phyllis Christian, seated; and at left, Mrs. Bea Douglas, entertainment and ad-

vertising; Mrs. Joan Morrison, treasurer; Mrs. Bea Warrington, hostess; Mrs. Nell Wilson, membership; and Mrs. Ellen Briggs, secretary. —(Kinsman)

Is It Possible the Pill Could Cause Thrombosis?

LONDON (CP) — The safety of oral contraceptives is being investigated by a government-sponsored committee trying to determine whether there is any evidence that taking "the pill" increases a woman's chance of dying from a thrombosis.

The survey, carried out by 30 investigators appointed by the Dunlop committee on drug safety, covers the case histories of women between 15 and 45 who have died this year from

causes in which thrombosis, or blood-clotting, was a factor.

So far 150 family doctors have been asked to submit confidential reports stating whether their patients were using oral contraceptives. Another 70 cases are being followed up.

More than 500,000 women in Britain now are taking oral contraceptives, it is estimated.

A spokesman for the Dunlop committee, headed by Scottish physician Sir Derrick Dunlop,

said the current investigation was started because of "a lot of allegations without scientific backing that the pill was causing thrombosis."

Several small-scale research studies published in the medical press this year have suggested oral contraceptives may influence the readiness of blood to clot, and a number of articles in women's magazines picked up the controversy.

The committee was set up in

1964 following the thalidomide tragedy, in which anti-nausea drugs taken by pregnant women were found to result in the birth of deformed babies.

The committee works in voluntary association with the British drug industry and there is an agreement that no new drugs will be marketed in Britain without its clean bill of health.



Graceful garland of fresh greens and plush gold velvet ribbon garnish this traditional wooden stair rail for the holidays. Greens are neatly wired to a heavy wire support similar to that used for clothesline. Garland ends catch at stair posts, topped by clusters of artificial fruit. On Christmas

eve, the artificial fruit is replaced by fresh fruit. Gold florist velvet ribbon is two inches wide; it color keys to the furnishings in the adjacent living room. Other natural greens are used to trim the living areas of the home. — (Better Homes and Gardens)

Chantilly Lace Coat Accents Bride's White Sheath Gown

A pretty wedding was solemnized in Gordon United Church, Langford, when Wendy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Arnold Ramsfield of Kelly Road, became the bride of Mr. Gary William Stevenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Stevenson of Oakdown Road.

Rev. G. G. Smith officiated at the double-ring ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by her father in a setting decorated in the Christmas theme with lighted trees. Pews were marked with satin bows and holly and ivy.

The bride was charming in a floor-length white peau de sole sheath designed with Empire waist, a front panel embroidered in lace and seed pearls. Worn over her gown was a full-length Chantilly lace coat with mandarin neckline and lily-point sleeves. Her finger-tip veil fell from a peau de sole and seed pearl wedding-ring headpiece. A pearl necklace as something old, completed the attire of the blonde bride. She carried red and white carnations and holly.

The bride's only attendant, Mrs. Rick Charlton chose an Empire-style frock of holly-

green velvet with matching velvet headpiece. Her gown was accented with a bow and streamers at the Empire waist. She carried white carnations and holly.

Best man was Mr. Roy Stevenson, the groom's brother, and ushers were Mr. Mark Metcalf and Mr. Rick Randfield.

At the reception in the church hall the bride's table was centred with a cake made by her mother. Silver baskets

contained ivy and red satin baubles. Ivy, poinsettias and red candles were on each guest table.

For going away the new Mrs. Stevenson chose a brown tweed walking suit with grey fur collar and a bright pink hat. She wore a corsage of pink rosebuds.

On returning from a honeymoon in the Pacific Northwest which will include skiing at Mount Baker, the newlyweds will live in the Dingley Dell apartments.

Chapter To Give Hampers

The regular meeting of who with the Alden Hamber Chapter had held a joint raffle. Other guests were Mrs. V. Moore, Mrs. J. Gossley, Mrs. C. Medley and Miss M. Van Rhyn.

In was announced that a Christmas gift has been sent to the adopted girl in Malta. Members were reminded of the need for gifts for patients in mental homes. The Chapter had also donated \$100 for books for the library at the Adult Education Institute.

Special guests were members of the Navy League Chapter,

To Strangers and Friends

Christmas Spirit of Giving Victorian's Full Time Hobby

By TRUDY KEMP

To an 86-year-old Victorian woman giving gifts and happiness to others is not just reserved for Christmas.

Mrs. Edith Pocock, a patient at Glengarry Hospital, is forever making something for her many friends, and for strangers, too. Her hands are seldom idle as her nimble fingers quickly crochet or knit up a dainty tray cloth, a colorful picture, or yards of dainty lace borders to be applied later to hems of towels, lunch cloths or pillow cases.

Many a home in the area proudly displays a piece of her

exquisite needlework having received it direct from Mrs. Pocock or from a handicraft stall at one of the church bazaars to which she has periodically donated her work.

Glengarry Hospital is proud owner of a beautiful hand crocheted picture of the Lord's Prayer with the wording intricately done in pale blue against a white background. The prayer picture, or yards of dainty lace borders to be applied later to hems of towels, lunch cloths or pillow cases.

Mrs. Pocock has also crocheted a number of other pictures including two special ones of The Last Supper. She presented one to Christ Church Cathedral and the other to Hayward's Funeral Home after the death of her husband, Sgt. Major George Henry Pocock.

"My husband liked to watch me crocheting and knitting but would tease me about giving all my work away," she said.

Mrs. Pocock started doing needlework when she was a little girl of 10.

She laughingly recalled how she used to go to school with "peeking out of my coat pocket" and quite often to the dismay of her teachers.

Until she came to Glengarry in June, Mrs. Pocock was a resident at the Caroline Macklem Home for five years.

Guests from Out-of-Town

Guests from out-of-town at the Friday evening wedding of Jean Marion Dark and Mr. Richard Leslie Buxton in St. John's Anglican Church were Mr. and Mrs. James Albrecht, and Jack, Bob and Ken; Mrs. Emily Fairbairn, all of Comox; Mr. and Mrs. E. Helbert, Qualicum Beach; Mr. and Mrs. Carey, Courtenay; Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hart, Mrs. P. Richardson with Marcia, Judy and Michael, North Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Buxton, Queen Charlotte Islands.

Mrs. Austin President

Mrs. B. Austin was elected president of Exequial Women's Institute at a recent meeting.

Other officers are Mrs. A. McVie, first vice-president; Mrs. T. Hobday, second vice-president; Mrs. M. Carvey, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. McVie and Mrs. Hobday, auditors.



Mrs. Edith Pocock stands beside large crocheted picture of Lord's Prayer which she presented to the Glengarry Hospital chapel. — (Kinsman)

most of their married life in years and has been an active member in several church groups. She is a life member of Stanley James now of Vancouver, and Fred, who died several years ago. Mrs. Pocock now has eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was a member of St. George's Lodge Saviour's Church choir for 22 years.

ANN LANDERS



Dear Ann Landers: I am an Air Force officer who has learned a lot from your column. I am always surprised when I read about husbands who want to drag confessions out of their wives. My problem is just the opposite. I wish my wife would keep quiet.

I recently returned from serving several months in Spain. The first thing my wife hit me with was the details of her love affairs with an ex-sweetheart. I told her I didn't want to hear about it — the eight months was a long time to be without a husband. I said I forgave her and to please stop talking about it.

She is wonderful to me when I am at home and I am willing to settle for that, which some people say is crazy, but it's the way I see it.

My wife insists she must purge herself of guilt by reciting every detail of her escapades. This bothers me to the point where I am thinking about packing my bags permanently. Can you help?—A.A.F.

Dear A.A.F.: Your wife's "purging" has a streak of sadism which you ought to recognize even if she does not.

If you are willing to settle for being treated well when you are at home (that's some settlement, Bub!) the least she can do is respect your wishes. Suggest that she purge herself by unloading on a clergyman or a counselor or someone who can listen without becoming emotionally involved.

Dear Ann Landers: Our son, a college senior, is engaged to marry a 20-year-old girl. She is a bright and attractive psychology major and we like her. The only thing that bothers us is that she is still talking baby talk.

For yes she says, "goo goo." No is "noo noo." Dinner is "din din," and water is "wa wa." We find this annoying and feel that our son will hate it after they

are married. Should I say something to her privately?—I.M.L.L.

Dear I.: If your son grows to hate it, he'll let her know. They say love is blind and, apparently in this case, it is also deaf. Keep quiet.

Dear Ann Landers: Please tell me what to do before I go out of my mind. Our next door neighbors have two teen-age daughters. These girls have a record player which goes for six and seven hours at a stretch. Some days I could swear they are playing the same record over and over again twenty or thirty times.

My husband has heart trouble and is very nervous. He can't stand any noise. Our own grandchildren have to walk around in their stocking feet when they come over, yet these kids next door are practically breaking our eardrums.

It is 4 p.m. now and the racket has been going since 10 a.m. Our windows are closed, but their windows are open. Will you please tell me what to do?—C.T.

Dear C.T.: They say you can catch more flies with honey than with vinegar. Have you tried it?

Explain to the girls that your husband is ill and their loud music is hard on his nerves. Ask them to please turn down

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Bride Carries Swedish Bouquet

LADYSMITH — The marriage took place recently in St. Mary's Catholic Church of Miss Marianne Birks, Ladysmith and Mr. Roy Kusar of Chemainus. The Rev. Peter Rudden performed the afternoon ceremony.

Here for Winter Wedding

Here for the wedding of Margaret Louise Dawson and Mr. James Thomas Taylor in Oak Bay United Church were Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Colby and family, White Rock, B.C.; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rickson, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Dawson, Mr. and Mrs. John Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Karan; Mr. Bruce Sanson, Miss Barbara Sanson, all of Vancouver; Miss Lynne Colby, New Westminster; Miss Pam Heycock, Banff, Alta.; Mr. Murray Hager, Hardisty, Alta.

The flowers in the church were the handiwork of Mrs. W. C. Jones and traditional wedding music was played by Miss Alice Popovich.

The petite dark-haired bride, given in marriage by Mr. David Boyd, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Birks of Kurralta Park, South Australia. She wore a floor-length gown of white tulle and lace, fashioned on classic lines, with lace-edged train falling gracefully from the shoulders. Her finger-tip veil of illusion net was held by a coronet of crystals and seed pearls and she carried a Swedish style bouquet of red roses centred with a white orchid.

Mrs. P. Boyd of Nanaimo, was matron of honor wearing a floor-length gown in deep pink silk on Empire lines and flowing train. She carried a bouquet of pink roses centred with carnations.

Best man was Mr. Druggin Svecic, and acting as usher was Master John Kruljac. A reception followed at Manana Lodge where the bride's table was



Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kusar.

centred with a beautifully decorated three-tiered wedding cake, the astir of Mrs. T. C. Bolton of Chemainus and Mrs. W. Jones of Ladysmith. For a wedding trip to Banff, Chemainus.

Ganges News

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Quinsey, Ridgeway, Ont. are visiting their son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hill, Churchill Road for three weeks; also spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hill is their son John who attends Brentwood College.

Lt.-Col. Paul Layard and Mrs. Layard and family, Canadian Armed Forces Wireless Station, Ladner will spend Christmas with Col. Layard's parents, Group Captain and Mrs. A. R. Layard.

Miss Patricia Crehan, accompanied by Miss Daphne Clarke, Vancouver will spend Christmas with Miss Crehan's mother Mrs. Douglas Wilson and Mr. Wilson, Ganges Hill.

Miss Margo Morris, who has been spending the past two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Thorburn, Vesuvius Bay has left for Portugal, and an extended tour of Europe.

Lieut. Mark Crofton and Mrs. Crofton, Victoria have arrived to spend the holiday with Lieut. Crofton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dermott Crofton, "Winfrith."

Miss Margaret Henney left for home in Toronto after spending a week with Dr. and Mrs. O. L. Stanton, Scott Road. Also visiting the Stantons for a few days last week from Vancouver was Mrs. Henry Howard.

Miss Barbara Newman who is attending UBC is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Newman. Also home for Christmas is Terry Newman, Vancouver.

Bowlers Enjoy Party

Oak Bay Lawn Bowling Club held its annual Christmas party in the attractively decorated clubhouse.

Carol singing and games were enjoyed by the 35 members attending. Gifts from the Christmas tree were presented to everyone present. Refreshments, served by the Ladies' Auxiliary, followed.

Mrs. W. White, president of the ladies' group, welcomed the guests. Group singing was led by Mrs. C. Hunter. Mr. A. J. V. Westaway proposed the vote of thanks to the ladies for the party.



"My mother says I have to give you this present!"—said the gallant young man at the door. Never mind, he'll probably even tell her what's in it before she has it opened! The candid young man arrives in a windowpane

plaid jacket designed of polyester and cotton. The youngest hostess looks angelic in a dress, Whipped Cream" . . . a float of pink pleats and billowy sleeves are what it's all about!

New France Tradition

Pig's Feet, Pork Pies Oust Turkey in Quebec

QUEBEC CITY (UPI) — The Christmas turkey is no tradition in Quebec's rural areas. At Christmas time Quebecers take a delightful step back in time, celebrating the two-week-long holiday much as their ancestors did three centuries ago.

Modern conveniences do help and for weeks before Christmas country kitchens are filled with the odor of the many flaky-crust French-Canadian pork pies that along with many other delicacies are over-burden the family board throughout the Christmas season.

Christmas begins, for the French-Canadian, with midnight mass in the parish church. A mass given an added note of cheer with the old carols brought to new France from an old France still then ruled by kings and nobles.

Many of these masses are sung amidst a glitter of gold leaf, polychromed statues of the saints, graceful columns with ornately sculpted capitals — all part of the early colonists' attempt to give their places of worship the elegance of Europe's baroque cathedrals.

But festivities last throughout the night. Tables sag under the weight of pork pies removed from the freezer and baked earlier in the day, steaming kettles of thick pea soup, bowls of pig's feet and meat ball stew, the last of a tail (pork roasted with slices of garlic inserted into it) is known here.

The main centre of attraction at the Epiphany dinner table is the kings' cake — an iced coffee cake into which the lady of the house inserts two beans, placed there in order to choose the king and queen of the day's festivities.

While the tradition of little Christmas seems destined to decline in importance — in the cities and towns many shops no longer bother to close for the day and the children have already returned to school, bringing to an end their Christmas vacation — it still remains in the rural regions whose inhabitants are still very much the rugged individuals they were when Christmas was celebrated for the first time in New France.

Club

RCN WA The WA to the RCN will hold their monthly meeting Jan. 10 in the East upper lounge at Naden, Admirals Road at 8 p.m. Guest speaker will be Mr. Bruce McLean, chief probationer for Family and Children's court.

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Mrs. Esther Taylor, 2330 Cook Street, announces the forthcoming marriage of her elder daughter, Julie Darlene, to Mr. Michael Richard Spooner, only son of Mr. and Mrs. I. W.



Spooner, 2350 Fernwood Road. The wedding will take place at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 28, in St. Luke's Anglican Church. Archdeacon C. E. F. Wolff will officiate. — (Jus-Rite Photos)

Buxton - Dark

Christmas Theme In Church Decor

St. John's Anglican Church was decorated in the Christmas theme and white chrysanthemums were on the altar for the Friday evening wedding of Jean Marion Dark and Mr. Richard Leslie Buxton.

Canon Grahame Baker officiated at the double-ring ceremony for the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Dark, 3141 Alder Street, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Buxton, 304 Brunswick Place.

The bride was lovely in an elegant gown of heavy brocade, satin with floor-length, belted skirt and lily point sleeves. A beaded coronet caught her waist-length veil and red rosebuds and white chrysanthemums were in her bridal bouquet.

Mr. Dark gave his daughter in marriage.

Miss Genevieve Dark, as maid of honor for her sister,

wore a cranberry red sheath of silk velvet styled with shell over-bow blouse trimmed in sequin braid. Miss Peggy Buxton, groom's sister, wore a similarly styled gown in turquoise silk velvet. They both wore coronet head-dresses en tone and carried white chrysanthemums and holly.

Mr. Kenneth Buxton was best man for his brother. Guests were ushered to their pews by Mr. Danny Hilton and Mr. Norman Lind.

Uplands Golf Club was attractively decorated in the festive theme for the reception which followed. A three tiered cake, topped with miniature bride and groom, centred the head table which was decorated with holly and white candles.

Mr. John Tribe proposed the toast to the bride.

The new Mrs. Buxton chose an imported Italian double-knit suit in coral tones as her going-away ensemble. She wore a black feathered hat and black accessories.

The young couple will make their home in Victoria.



Mr. and Mrs. John R. Campbell, cutting the cake at the reception after their wedding in St. Mary's Church, Fulford. The reception was at the Beaver Point Hall. The bride is the former Gladys Jean Patterson. — (A. M. Sharp)



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Mr. and Mrs. John Pearkes, with sons Anthony and Timothy, will arrive from Vancouver to spend the Christmas season at Government House with His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Pearkes.

From Toronto for Holidays

Mrs. M. L. Tyrwhitt-Drake gave a luncheon party yesterday for her daughter Elizabeth who is home from Trinity College, University of Toronto, for the holiday season.

Holiday Coffee Party

Miss Elizabeth Clement, President of Victoria B and PW Club is entertaining members of the Club at a coffee party on Boxing Day Monday Dec. 26, from 2 to 6 p.m. at her home, 241 Cook Street.

Out of Town Guests

Travelling from Calgary to attend the wedding of Miss Linda Bergstrom and Mr. Andrew Payer Friday was the groom's mother, Mrs. Leslie Payer, and Dr. and Mrs. David Geen. Also from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Hall of Vancouver; Miss Agnes Payer, Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patch of Qualicum Bay, and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Conyers, Brian, Douglas and Karen of Nelson, B.C.

Arrives from Santiago, Chile

Here to spend the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford E. Lee in their Turquoise Terrace home is Miss Judy Lee. Miss Lee arrived Tuesday by plane from Santiago, Chile, where she has been taking post-graduate work in social science at the University of Santiago. She will be returning to Chile early in the new year.

From San Francisco

Mrs. Carol Hansen and daughter, Michele are here for a week and are staying with Mrs. Hansen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Potter, Plaskett Place.



Christmas Not Like This

This Christmas in Victoria won't look like this snow scene of another year. Weatherman predicts green Christmas. Painting of The Church of

Our Lord at Humboldt and Blanshard was found in Victoria second-hand store. Undated, it is signed A. Fetsler.

In City Churches

Doors Open Wide for Worshippers

Christmas Eve will be observed in many Victoria and Vancouver Island churches, with special communion and watchnight services.

In St. Mathias' Anglican Church, a special Christmas communion service will be held starting at 11 p.m. with the singing of carols under the leadership of the organist and choir leader Eric Edwards. The rector, Canon Jack Rogers will be the celebrant, assisted by Rev. Dr. A. W. R. Ashley and Archdeacon A. E. deL. Nunn.

Communion services on Christmas Day will be held at 8

and 9 a.m. with a family eucharist at 11 a.m., at which both senior and junior choirs will sing.

On Christmas Day the Gosworth Road Community Church at Gosworth and Burton will hold a service, starting at 10:45 instead of the usual time of 11 a.m.

Percy Willis will bring the Christmas message and a communion service will follow.

The Hammond organ being purchased for the church will be a memorial to Mr. and Mrs. W. Clayton Cronk who were pioneer Sunday school workers at Gosworth. Mr. Cronk built the church with the help of many friends.

Christmas services at the Alliance Church, 1039 Yates, will be conducted all day Sunday. Sunday school will hold an open session at 10:30 a.m., using a Christmas object lesson. The pastor, Rev. Ted Chapman, will bring his annual Christmas message at 11 a.m. There will be special music at this service.

A departure this year will be a special candlelight vesper service at 5 p.m. when the choir will sing John Petersen's Christmas cantata, Love Triumphant. Solo parts will be sung by Mrs. Mary Cann and Cherie Chapman.

Christmas Day at First Baptist Church will be marked with a family service at 11 a.m. The Christmas story will be expressed in word and song.

"We will focus our thoughts on the Gift, seen in terms of God's gift to all mankind and our response," said the minister, Rev. John A. Watson.

There will be a midnight service tonight at St. John's Anglican Church. It will be preceded by a half-hour of organ music and carols around the tree by the senior choir, starting at 11:30 p.m.

Christmas Day there will be a said celebration of holy communion at 8 a.m. and at 9:30 a.m. the boys' and girls' choirs will sing carols around the tree, followed by family communion at 9:45 a.m. At 11 a.m. Mattins for Christmas will be broadcast over CKDA and the rector, Canon Graham Baker, will preach.

Christmas Eve at St. Luke's Parish Church will be celebrated by a solemn Christmas midnight eucharist. During the service the choir, under the direction of Herman Bergink, will sing the special Christmas introit and gradual and several carols, including A Great and Mighty Wonder by Praetorius and Bach's Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light, for the communion motet.

Christmas Day, there will be a family card service at 10



Canon Rogers

At this service the senior choir will sing An Ode On The Birth Of Our Saviour. The boys' choir will sing Sweet Was The Song The Virgin Sang.

The junior girls' choir will sing The Snow Lay On The Ground. Holy communion will also be celebrated at 8 a.m. and, with hymns, at 11:15 a.m.

Sunday schools and congregations of Stevenson Memorial and Emmanuel Baptist Churches will combine for a Christmas family service at 9:30 in Stevenson and at 11 a.m. in Emmanuel.

May Archer and Ellen Stroud will sing Joy To The World and No Room, at Stevenson. At Emmanuel the choir will sing Christians! Awake! and The Little Road to Bethlehem.

What Does A.D. 1966 Mean To You? is the subject topic in Victoria Seventh-day Adventist Church at 11 a.m. today. Special speaker is J. M. LeMarquand.

St. Aidan's United Church young people will hold a candlelight service at midnight today. On Christmas Day a family service will be held at 11 a.m. Rev. A. G. MacLeod's subject will be Christmas Meditation.

Rev. Robert J. D. Morris will preach on the subject A Child Is Born at the 11 a.m. service Christmas Day in First United.

William Walker will share in the conduct of the service.

Fanfare for Christmas Day is one of the numbers to be sung by the choirs. The sacrament of infant baptism will be administered. There will be no service at 9:30 a.m. or 7:30 p.m.

Services will be held morning and evening Christmas Day in

Fairfield United Church. At the morning service the sermon topic will be The Mystery of His Coming. Selections from Handel's Messiah will be sung by the choir. Soloists will be Mrs. Groves Ireland and Clifford Horwood. Carols will be sung at the evening service and the sermon topic will be Love Came Down at Christmas.

The story of the birth of Jesus and the adoration of the Magi are included in scriptural passages to be read in Vancouver Island Christian Science churches this Sunday.

The lesson-sermon is titled Christian Science and the golden text is this passage from II Corinthians:

"God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

There will be no services or church school at the Unitarian Church of Victoria until 6:15 p.m. Jan. 5. Sunday services at 9:30 and 11 a.m. will resume Jan. 8 when Rev. Marvin Evans talks on Some Thoughts on the Urge to KSH.

In Victoria Truth Centre, Dr. Emma M. Snell will give a sermon on Christmas Magic at 11 a.m. There will be no evening service.

A special Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held in Grace English Lutheran Church this evening at 8 p.m. In addition to the singing of the familiar Christmas carols, candles will be lighted symbolizing the coming of Christ, The Light of the World. All who attend will receive a candle.

The Salvation Army
Victoria Citadel Corps
101 Pandora Avenue
MAJOR and MRS. E. McKEERACHER
CORPS OFFICERS
Christmas Sunday
11 a.m.—Family Service
7 p.m.—Candlelight Service
Next Weekend
Major and Mrs. C. Ivany
All Welcome

VICTORIA WEST COMMUNITY CHURCH
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Worship
7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic
Interdenominational
Maynor and Fullerton
(One block off Craigflower Road)

CHRISTADELPHIAN HALL
KINGS AT BLANSHARD
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.
Memorial Service—11:00 a.m.
7:30 p.m.
"The Prince of Peace"
G. SHREFFTON

GLAD TIDINGS PENTECOSTAL
Pastoral Assembly of Canada
Pastor: Rev. Eric A. Morby
Assistant Pastor: Fred Fulford, B.Sc.
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES
11:00 a.m.—Communion Service
Pastor Morby will speak
7:30 p.m.—"Joy to the World"
Pastor Fulford
Join Us on This Holy Day as We Worship Our Christ of Christmas
WELCOME TO OUR FUEL GOSPEL CHURCH. WE PREACH SALVATION NOW—DIVINE HEALING—BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT—JESUS SOON RETURNS

THE CHURCH OF OUR LORD
HUMBOLDT AT BLANSHARD
11:30 p.m.—CHRISTMAS EVE
Holy Communion in the Candlelight
CHRISTMAS DAY
9:30 a.m.—Holy Communion
11:00 a.m.—Christmas Communion and Carols
"THE CHRISTMAS MIRACLE"
Bishop Denys A. G. Rankin, D.D.
3:30 P.M.—CAROLS AT EVENTIDE
The Christmas Music . . . All Welcome
THE REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH

APOSTOLIC
Corner Blanshard and Queens
Pastor A. W. McLean
CHRISTMAS DAY
10:30 a.m.—Worship Service . . .
Presenting the Cantata "Wonderful"
7:30 p.m.—"Evangelism"
Beginning New Year's Day . . . "Full Gospel Venture" with Youth Evangelist DAN MOSE
You will be welcome at the Friendly Church in the Capitol City

NORTH DOUGLAS PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE
Corner of Douglas St. and Canterbury Road
December 25th
9:45—Sunday School and Bible Classes
11:00—Family Service
7:15—Christmas Numbers by the Choir
Saturday 8:30—Watchtower Service
You are invited to worship with us Christmas Day

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Tillamook and Walter
11:00 A.M.
CHRISTMAS MUSIC AND MESSAGE

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
284 Richmond Avenue
11:00 a.m.
THE MESSAGE OF CHRISTMAS
No Evening Service
REV. A. M. BEATON, B.A.

CENTRAL BAPTIST
833 PANDORA AVENUE
"We Preach Christ Crucified, Risen and Coming Again"
9:45 a.m.—Bible School for all ages
DR. J. B. BOWELL, Pastor Emeritus
will preach his 33rd "Christmas Day" Messages
Morning Service at 11
"PROPHETIC HIGHWAY TO BETHLEHEM"
Evening Service at 7
"CHRIST THE ANSWER"
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.—Prayer, Praise and Bible Study
"Where Every Visitor is an Honoured Guest"

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Quadrant at Mason
Rev. John A. Watson, B.A., R.D.
J. R. Tinsdale, Organist and Director of Music
Church School: Junior, Senior and Adults, 9:45 a.m.
Kindergarten and primary, 11 a.m.
11 A.M. SERVICE ONLY
"Christmas Day Family Worship Service"
Choir Music, "Glory to God" (Mauder) and
"Our Gift" from Mauder's "Bethlehem"

EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH
FERWOOD AT GLADSTONE
STEVENSON MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
1902 TOWNLEY ST.
Rev. Norman K. Archer, B.D., A.L.B.C., Minister
9:30 a.m.—Stevenson — 11:00 a.m.—Emmanuel
FAMILY SERVICE
"THREE WISE MEN"

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Downs—Douglas Street at Broadview
The Very Rev. J. L. W. McLean, C.D. M.A., D.D.
9:15 a.m.—FAMILY SERVICE
Peggy Walton-Packard and Junior Choir
11:00 a.m.—"JESUS AND OUR NEEDS"
Guest Soloist: Peggy Walton-Packard
Dr. McLean preaches — No Evening Service
Organist and Choirmaster: C. C. Warren, L.R.S.M.
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STEM COCKTAIL GLASSES
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15 denier, micro mesh. Colours: tender beige and spark 'n' spice. Sizes 9 to 11. Two pair and a spare in a box.
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One bridge cloth and four napkins in white, beige, pink, brown, blue and tangerine. Lovely, practical gift.
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100% nylon tricot with lace edging at hemline. Colours: aqua, champagne, blue, pink and white. S.M.L.
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Carrying case with wardrobe compartment for skipper and two compartments for her accessories, hangers included. In blue or tan.
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Stretch 100% nylon top and matching socks. Red and blue plaids. Sizes 4 to 6x.
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"Giant Detroit" torture track complete with car body chassis and motor. Four torture tests, 31 pieces of track.
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Two Little Girls at Big Scene

Two little girls went to look at manger scene in St. George the Martyr Anglican Church, Cadboro Bay, on Friday. They are Debra and Jennifer MacPherson of 2395 Alpine

Crescent. Nativity scene was arranged by Evening Guild of church, is set up at rear of church near front. —(William A. Boucher)

From Saskatchewan

Jehovah's Witnesses Meet New Supervisor

Southern Vancouver Island Jehovah's Witnesses are meeting their new circuit supervisor, Theodore Petras, on visits to Lake Cowichan and Victoria congregations.

Mr. Petras, a former laboratory technician for an oil refinery, comes from Lloydminster, Sask. His new duties have brought him to Victoria from his previous posting in Calgary.

Tillicum congregation. Next week he and Mrs. Petras will spend with the Lake Cowichan congregation.

Mr. and Mrs. Petras are joining ministers in making calls on residents of the community. This is part of the regular door-to-door ministry and training program of the Jehovah's Witnesses.

There will be a program at 8 p.m. today in Kingdom Hall, 3067 Tillicum, with a Bible question period entitled New

Things Learned in which the audience will participate.

Highlight of the week will be a public talk by Mr. Petras Sunday afternoon entitled Not Giving Up the Quest For Life.

Mr. Petras will be responsible for the supervision of 14 congregations on Vancouver Island. There are 24,910 throughout the world.

Season's Greetings to Our Friends and Clients

MARWON

Travel Service

1622 Government St.
383-5831



Theodore Petras

Aquarium Gains New Creatures

VANCOUVER (CP) — About 200 tropical marine creatures (in the Stanley Park aquarium) have arrived by air from Grand Cayman Island. They were collected during a two-week trip by aquarium director Dr. Murray Newman and curator Vincent Penfold.

A Merry Christmas

TOTEM TRAVEL

From All Of Us

Miss Pat Boden

WALTER McCONVILLE

In the **MAYFAIR SHOPPING CENTRE**

R. P. (Doc) STEVENS

BILL FERGUSON Manager

Baptists Remember Inaugural Service

The first Christmas Day service of Central Baptist Church was preached by Dr. J. B. Rowell 39 years ago in the old Eagles Hall, at that time opposite the City Hall on Douglas Street.

This Christmas Day Dr. Rowell, now pastor emeritus, will preach at both services in the new church, built in 1963. Dr. Rowell established the congregation when he arrived in Victoria in 1927. Within two years, in September, 1929, the congregation had built a church on Pandora. In the meantime the church had been held in the Eagles Hall and then in the Oddfellows Hall on Blanshard.

TO ONTARIO

Rev. Robert D. Holmes, who was pastor while the new church was being built, left last September for Temple Baptist Church in Sarnia, Ont.

No new minister has been appointed and Dr. Rowell is carrying on in the meantime. "I guess

I'll always be on hand to help," said the minister who resigned in 1958, and who keeps busy attending Bible conferences.



Dr. Rowell

Pastor Elected Pentecostal Superintendent



Rev. E. A. Hornby

The pastor of Glad Tidings Church for the past nine years—Rev. E. A. Hornby—has been elected superintendent of Pentecostal Assemblies in Canada, B.C. district.

Mr. and Mrs. Hornby will leave the end of December to take up their new duties in North Vancouver.

NEW PASTOR

The congregation has called a new pastor—Rev. Roy E. Up-ton—who founded the Scarborough Gospel Temple in Toronto 10 years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Up-ton and their three young sons will arrive in Victoria in February.

During Mr. Hornby's ministry the church has enlarged its Sunday school and youth departments. Average Sunday school attendance is now 500.

CHURCH BUDGET

These projects amounted to approximately \$100,000. The church's budget for 1966 was \$85,000, all of which came from free will offerings of the people. From this budget \$23,000 was given to missions.

Mr. and Mrs. Hornby have two daughters, Ruth and Rose, who teach in the Victoria area. Their only son, Allan, a graduate of McGill University, is in the ministry. He spent last summer in England and Europe working on his doctorate.

THE VOICE OF ONE

By REV. DR. FRANK S. MORLEY

Christmas is a candle God lights in the heart. Christmas is a star God puts in the sky. Christmas is a song by angels sent from God. Christmas is a mother to whom God has spoken and whom God has blessed.

"How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given." We can put ourselves in a place to receive Christmas, yet even the inspiration for the journey comes from God. He says, "Come, see, what I have for you! Listen to the good news!" So Christmas comes to us; we don't go after Christmas. It is the gift of God.

The best things in life are all given to us. A rose does not struggle for loveliness. God makes it grow into an unbearable wonder of flushing beauty and fugitive curves. What architecture of man can match the columns and curves of nature, the robes and temple hangings of the woods, the tresses of silver and rosy clouds, or the foamy tapestry of waves on breakers?

Friendships come to us. They are sent, we do not seek them. Friendship has well been called a mystery and a miracle, for we do not understand it and it brings to life a radiance and spiritual vigor which, as by divine magic, dispels the grey mists and fills the heaven with a rainbow of confidence and color.

We are given our golden hours of illumination and vision. Such hours as that of Moses on Mount Sinai, or the Disciples on the Mount of Transfiguration, or St. Paul on the way to Damascus.

Isaiah had such an experience in the Temple: "In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up."

St. John, chained to a rock on the island of Patmos, "saw seven golden candlesticks; and in the midst of the candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with garments down to the feet, and girt about at the breasts with a golden girdle. . . . He had in His right hand seven stars. . . . His countenance was as the sun shineth in its strength. . . ."

These luminous hours invade the soul like heavenly avatars, opening shining windows of eternal destinies and fixable

dreams. The mystics said such moments are ineffable, they cannot be communicated to others, but in our own hearts we know it—hold the ultimate secret of truth and joy.

Nothing is worse than to let the heart grow cold, to sink into a stolid and brutish torpor, to be smothered into apathy or let the fine idealism of life atrophy. Christmas is for the expectant eyes, the yearning hearts, the listening ears, the sensitive spirits who, like Joan of Arc, hear their "Voices."

Prayer: By the birth of Thy Son, O God and Father of mankind, Thou hast made a light to shine in our darkness, everlasting life to our mortality, and glory to redeem our days. Glory to God in the highest, and may peace and goodwill possess the earth! Thy Kingdom come!

MANY MORE STUDY

More than 50,000 people study at Canadian universities by correspondence or through extension classes.

UNITED

CADBORO BAY UNITED CHURCH
2620 Arbutus Road
11:00—Christmas family service.
The Reverend C. L. Straight, R.A.

REQUIMULT UNITED CHURCH
Admiral's Road and Lyall St.
Adult worship service 10 a.m.
Adult discussion, church school 11 a.m.
Rev. Hartwell B. Diley, R.A., B.D.

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS
(Quakers)
MEETING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, 11 A.M.
VISITORS WELCOME
1031 PEAR STREET

CHURCH OF CHRIST

CHURCH OF CHRIST
1400 Cook, Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Rev. E. Theoph. Wills, M.D.
Evening worship, 7:30 p.m.
478-2143 — 478-2400

OPEN DOOR SPIRITUALIST CHURCH
1800 Cook, Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Rev. E. Theoph. Wills, M.D.
Healing. WELCOME.

GOSWORTH ROAD COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday school, 9:45
Christmas morning (note time) 10:45
Speaker:
MR. PERCY WILLS
"Until you are born this day a sinner"—Luke 2:11
Communion service.
(Hammock Organ in memory of Mr. and Mrs. W. Charles Crook.)

UNITARIAN

UNITARIAN CHURCH OF VICTORIA
Servetus Hall
108 Superior Street
Marvin D. Evans, R.A., B.D.
Next service January 9, 1967.

UNITED

GRACE ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH, L.C.A.
1271 Port St. RV 5-5556 and EV 5-1888
(Across from Central Junior High)
Pastor: Rev. David H. Metzger
Organist: Mrs. Ruth Jones
The Early Service 8:00 a.m.
The Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
THE SERVICE 11:00 a.m.
Dec. 24, Candlelight Service at 8 p.m.
"I was glad when they said to me, Let us go into the House of the Lord!"
Visitors to Victoria are welcome!

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
2013 Cedar Hill Road
Rev. J. E. Bergsma, D.D., pastor.
EV 5-2233
Matins (English), 8:30 a.m.
The Service (German) and Sunday school, 10:30 a.m.
Western Canada Synod, L.C.A.

UNITED

FAIRFIELD

Rev. M. W. Kerley, Ph.D.
Organist: A. A. N. Beale, Mus.D.
11:00 a.m.
Christmas Music
"The Mystery of His Coming"
7:30 p.m.
"Love Came Down at Christmas"

UNITED

Belmont Ave. United

Belmont Avenue and Pembroke St.
(Five blocks from Jubilee)
Rev. Murray Henderson, R.A.
11:00 a.m.
"Christmas Family Services"
NO EVENING SERVICE
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
"A Friendly Community Church"

ALLIANCE CHURCH

1039 Yates
Rev. Ted Chapman, Pastor
Welcome to Our Christmas Services ★ ★ ★
10:30 a.m.—Sunday School Open Session
11 a.m.—
Pastor's Christmas Message
Christmas Music
8:30 p.m.—
CANDLELIGHT VESPER SERVICE
Christmas Cantata: Love Transcending

Churches

GOSPEL HALL

VICTORIA GOSPEL HALL
925 Pandora Avenue
Sunday:
8:30 a.m.—Sunday school.
11:15 a.m.—Worship and Breaking of Bread.
7:30 p.m.—GOSPEL SERVICE
SPEAKER:
MR. CLEA, AITKEN
OF VANCOUVER, B.C.
BRINGING A
CHRISTMAS MESSAGE
"HIS NAME SHALL BE
CALLED WUNDERFUL, COUNSELLOR,
THE MIGHTY GOD, THE
EVERLASTING FATHER,
THE PRINCE OF PEACE."

QUADRA BIBLE CHAPEL
Totmie Ave. and Jackson Street
Sunday:
8:30 a.m.—The Lord's Supper.
11:00 a.m.—Morning service and Sunday School combined.
Speaker: Mr. A. J. Field, Christmas Message.
7:30 p.m.—Evening service. Dr. B. P. Sutherland.
Wednesday:
7:45 p.m.—Prayer and Bible study. Dr. B. P. Sutherland continuing the study on "The Church—Theory and Practice" Epimenidy.
Saturday:
10 to 12 p.m.—Watchnight service.

UNIVERSITY CHAPEL
Hastings and Majestic
(Opposite Majestic Park)
Sunday:
11 a.m.—Sunday school and Family Bible Hour.
Speaker: Charles Ellington.
Supervised nursery.
1:30 p.m.—The Lord's Supper.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer meeting and Bible study.
Opportunity for coffee and fellowship after every service.

OAKLANDS CHAPEL
Fernwood and Cedar Hill Roads
Sunday:
day school.
8:30 a.m.—The Lord's Supper.
11:15 a.m.—Family Bible Hour and Sunday school. Speaker: Dr. D. D. Gault.
7:00 p.m.—Evening service. Speaker: Mr. J. W. Robertson.
Thursday:
8:00 p.m.—Prayer and Bible ministry.

ROSEBAY GOSPEL HALL
Corner of May and Joseph Streets
Sunday:
8:30 a.m.—Worship and Breaking of Bread.
11:30 a.m.—Sunday school and Family Bible Hour. Mr. Dave Merritt.
7:30 p.m.—Gospel service.
Speaker: Mr. A. J. Field.
Wednesday:
8:00 p.m.—Prayer and ministry meeting. Speaker: Mr. A. J. Field.

BETHESDA CHAPEL
Corner Oak Bay Ave. and Davis St.
Sunday:
8:30 a.m.—Worship and Breaking of Bread.
11:30 a.m.—Sunday school and Family Bible Hour.
7:30 p.m.—Special Christmas service. Speaker: Mr. Tom McPhee.
Wednesday:
8:00 p.m.—Prayer and Bible study.

WESTVIEW GOSPEL CHAPEL
1111 Brunswick Place
Island Hwy. at Tillicum Rd.
Sunday:
8:30 a.m.—The Lord's Supper.
11:15 a.m.—Christmas service.
Speaker: Mr. D. McCarty.
7:30 p.m.—Gospel service.
Speaker: Mr. D. McCarty.
Wednesday:
8:00 p.m.—Prayer and Bible study.

MILNES LANDING GOSPEL CHAPEL
An invitation for all the Family to attend a
Special Christmas Program
Sunday, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday school Christmas program.
Speaker: Mr. A. J. Field.

LUTHERAN

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS
Cedar Hill and Cedar Hill Crossroad
11:00 a.m.—Christmas program by our Sunday school.
7:30 p.m.—Midnight Eucharist. Sacred rite by Karlstad Family Singers of San Leandro, California.
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HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
(DISCOURT SYNOD)
1040 Carleton St. at Dan Ave.
Rev. L. M. Carlson, pastor, 688-8774
Christmas Eve service—11:00 p.m.
Christmas Day worship—11:00 a.m.
A church of "The Lutheran Hour" and "This is the Life"

First United Church

Quadrant and Belmont
Ministry:
Rev. R. J. D. Morris, M.A., B.D.
Rev. Marvin G. Fowler, R.A.
Director of Christian Education
Mr. Rob. Nelson, R.A.
Director of Music
Mr. W. H. Gregory
Organist: Mrs. Ursula Bunt
Christmas Day
11:00 a.m.—
Morning Worship
Service
"A Child Is Born"
Rev. Robert J. D. Morris
—Mr. William F. Walker will be sharing in the Service.
—Baptismal Service
—Soloists: Mr. Paul Wharf
Ladies' Chorus
Men's Chorus
(No Service will be held at 8:30 a.m. or 7:30 p.m.)
Dec. 31—Watchnight Service and Holy Communion
11:00 a.m.—In the Sanctuary
Dec. 31—New Year's Eve
Family Party and Dance
8:30 p.m.—1:30 a.m.—In the Fellowship Hall.

METROPOLITAN UNITED CHURCH

Quadrant at Quadra Street
(EV 5-5334 or EV 5-2287)
"For a Closer Walk With God"
Ministry:
Rev. Albert E. King, R.A.
11:00 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21
Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service
9:15 A.M.
Christmas Morning
Communion
11:00 a.m.—Worship Service
"IN HIM IS OUR PEACE"
Rev. Albert E. King
There will be no Evening Service

CENTENNIAL UNITED CHURCH

Gorge Road at David St.
Ministry: Rev. E. J. Parsons, D.D.
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Christmas Day
Services
"WONDER FULL"
No Sunday School or Baby Crib
There Will Be No Evening Service
Organist and Director of Music:
Miss Elizabeth Chonick

THE CHURCH OF ST. AIDAN

United Church of Canada
Richmond at Cedar Hill Cross Road
University Area Church
Rev. A. J. McLeod, R.A.
Organist: Mrs. Vera Heston
11:00 a.m.—Christmas
Family Service
NO EVENING SERVICE
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Oak Bay United Church

Mitchell and Granite
Rev. Alexander Calder
Rev. D. B. Spurling, D.D.
Organist: R. W. Kroeger
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
ONE CHURCH SCHOOL
11:00 a.m.
THE WONDER OF HIS LOVE
ANGELICAN

ST. MARK'S

(Belmont Road)
CHRISTMAS EVE:
11:00 p.m.—CHORAL EUCHARIST
CHRISTMAS DAY:
8:00 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION
11:00 a.m.—CHORAL EUCHARIST—(A Family Service)
Rector: Rev. Canon Robert Willis

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S

(Lacey at Tillicum)
CHRISTMAS DAY
8:30 a.m.—Choral Eucharist
This is a FAMILY SERVICE
ARCHDEACON H. E. SEXTON will be the Celebrant and will address the children and give each child a Blessing at the Altar.
Rector: Canon Robert Willis

St. Michael and All Angels

Royal Oak
December 24, Christmas Eve
11:15 p.m.—Midnight Eucharist.
Christmas Day
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
11:00 a.m.—Matins
12:00 noon—Holy Communion
St. Thomas' Church
Vanadium off (clonard)
8:45 a.m.—Holy Communion
(with Carols)

Good Shepherd Mission

Prospect Lake
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
The Rev. W. E. Greenbush, Rector
478-4198

ST. DAVID BY THE SEA

1100 CORDOVA BAY ROAD
Merry Christmas Everyone
Christmas Eve: 11:00 p.m.—Choral Eucharist
Christmas Day: 8:00 a.m.—Communion
10:30 a.m.—Family Service
11:30 a.m.—Low Communion

Bailu Columnist, Victoria 17
Saturday, Dec. 24, 1966

University Head Breaks Arm

NELSON (CP)—Rev. Aquinas Thomas, president of Notre Dame University, suffered a broken arm, bruises and shock when he fell 15 feet from the roof of a prefabricated building he was helping build. The building is one of four being erected as temporary library quarters.

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Dec. 31—New Year's Eve
Family Party and Dance
8:30 p.m.—1:30 a.m.—In the Fellowship Hall.

METROPOLITAN UNITED CHURCH

Quadrant at Quadra Street
(EV 5-5334 or EV 5-2287)
"For a Closer Walk With God"
Ministry:
Rev. Albert E. King, R.A.
11:00 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21
Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service
9:15 A.M.
Christmas Morning
Communion
11:00 a.m.—Worship Service
"IN HIM IS OUR PEACE"
Rev. Albert E. King
There will be no Evening Service

CENTENNIAL UNITED CHURCH

Gorge Road at David St.
Ministry: Rev. E. J. Parsons, D.D.
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Christmas Day
Services
"WONDER FULL"
No Sunday School or Baby Crib
There Will Be No Evening Service
Organist and Director of Music:
Miss Elizabeth Chonick

THE CHURCH OF ST. AIDAN

United Church of Canada
Richmond at Cedar Hill Cross Road
University Area Church
Rev. A. J. McLeod, R.A.
Organist: Mrs. Vera Heston
11:00 a.m.—Christmas
Family Service
NO EVENING SERVICE
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Oak Bay United Church

Mitchell and Granite
Rev. Alexander Calder
Rev. D. B. Spurling, D.D.
Organist: R. W. Kroeger
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
ONE CHURCH SCHOOL
11:00 a.m.
THE WONDER OF HIS LOVE
ANGELICAN

ST. MARK'S

(Belmont Road)
CHRISTMAS EVE:
11:00 p.m.—CHORAL EUCHARIST
CHRISTMAS DAY:
8:00 a.m.—HOLY COMMUNION
11:00 a.m.—CHORAL EUCHARIST—(A Family Service)
Rector: Rev. Canon Robert Willis

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S

(Lacey at Tillicum)
CHRISTMAS DAY
8:30 a.m.—Choral Eucharist
This is a FAMILY SERVICE
ARCHDEACON H. E. SEXTON will be the Celebrant and will address the children and give each child a Blessing at the Altar.
Rector: Canon Robert Willis

St. Michael and All Angels

Royal Oak
December 24, Christmas Eve
11:15 p.m.—Midnight Eucharist.
Christmas Day
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
11:00 a.m.—Matins
12:00 noon—Holy Communion
St. Thomas' Church
Vanadium off (clonard)
8:45 a.m.—Holy Communion
(with Carols)

Good Shepherd Mission

Prospect Lake
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
The Rev. W. E. Greenbush, Rector
478-4198

ST. DAVID BY THE SEA

1100 CORDOVA BAY ROAD
Merry Christmas Everyone
Christmas Eve: 11:00 p.m.—Choral Eucharist
Christmas Day: 8:00 a.m.—Communion
10:30 a.m.—Family Service
11:30 a.m.—Low Communion

ANGLICAN SERVICES

Christ Church Cathedral

The Very Rev. Brian Whitlow
M.A., M.C.E., B.D., Dean and Rector
CHRISTMAS EVE
11:30 p.m.—Sung Eucharist
Sermon: The Death
CHRISTMAS DAY
7:00—Holy Communion
8:00—Holy Communion
(Hymns)
9:30—Family Communion
and Instruction
The Dean
11:00—Sung Eucharist
Sermon:
The Rev. R. A. Hoult
4:00—Evening (Said, with
Hymns in Lady Chapel)
St. Stephen's Day
(26th December)
12:15 p.m.—Holy Communion
St. John, Apostle and Martyr
(27th December)
11:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
Holy Innocents
(28th December)
12:15 p.m.—Holy Communion

ST. JOHN'S

QUADRA AT MASON
Christmas Eve
11:30 p.m.
Choral Communion
Christmas Morning
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
9:45 a.m.
Family Communion Service
(Preceded at 9:30 a.m. by Carols
around the Christmas Tree)
11:00 a.m.—Matins of
Christmas Day
(Broadcast on CKDA 1220)
Sermon:
Canon Graham Baker
NO EVENING SERVICE
Thursday
10:30 a.m.—Holy Communion
and Service of Blessing

ST. MARY'S

FLAT ROAD
The Parish Church of Oak Bay
The Rev. Canon Hywel J. Jones
L.B., Rector
Christmas Eve
11:00 p.m.—Choral Communion
The Rector
Christmas Day
7:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion
11:00 a.m.—Matins and Family
Service—Prophet
Rev. C. D. Blencoe
4:00 p.m.—Evening (No Sermon)
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
Monday—(St. Stephen's Day)
10:30 a.m.—Holy Communion
Thursday
10:30 a.m.—Holy Communion

ST. PETER'S

St. Peter's Road at 3853 Quadra
Rector: Rev. E. W. R. Gilbert
C.D., B.A., B.D.
Christmas Day
8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion
11:00 a.m.—Choral Eucharist
The Rector
No Sunday School Classes
Nursery Facilities Available
Wednesday
10:30 a.m.—Holy Communion

St. George the Martyr

Cadboro Bay and Marmora Roads
Serving Queenwood, Ten Mile Point
Uplands and Cadboro Bay
Rector: The Rev. N. R. Noel, D.D.
Christmas Eve, 11:30
Choral Eucharist and Procession
Christmas Day
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
9:30 a.m.—Family Service
11:00 a.m.—Morning Prayer and
Sermon
Noon—Holy Communion
No Evening Service
Tuesday—St. John
7:30 a.m.—Holy Communion
10:30 a.m.—Holy Communion
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO ALL

ST. MATTHIAS

Richmond and Richmond Ave.
Rev. Canon J. Rogers, R.A., B.D.
Rector
Christmas Eve
11:00 p.m.—Carols and Choral
Communion
Christmas Day
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
9:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
11:00 a.m.—Family Eucharist
Nursery

ST. BARNABAS

Belmont and English
CHRISTMAS EVE
4:30—Evening (said)
11:15—Carols
12:30—Midnight Mass and Blessing of
the Crib
CHRISTMAS DAY
7:45—Matins
8:00—Holy Communion
10:00—Procession, High Mass, Sermon
(Nursery Facilities During
This Service)
4:00—Evening (said)
Holy Communion Daily
7:30 a.m.—Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday and Saturday
9:30 a.m.—Wednesday and Friday
Rector:
The Rev. Canon S. F. Page, M.A.
Phone 284-5978

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

Corner Esplanade and Noot
Oak Bay
Rector: Lt. Col.
The Rev. G. O. Wilkes, M.C., C.D.
Christmas Eve
11:45 p.m. Midnight Sung Eucharist
Sunday, Dec. 26th, Christmas Day
8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion
11:00 a.m.—Family Christmas Service
11:45 a.m.—Holy Communion
3:00 p.m.—Evening
NO SERVICE AT 7:30 p.m.
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

ST. SAVIOUR'S

Heary and Catherine St., Victoria West
Rev. P. V. Atkinson
8:00—Holy Communion.
10:00—Holy Eucharist 1st
and 3rd.
Matins 2nd and 4th

ST. LUKE'S

(Corner Cedar Hill and
Cedar Hill X Road)
Serving the Cedar Hill, Shellbourne,
Richmond and University Areas
Rector: The Venerable C. E. F. Wolf
TONIGHT—CHRISTMAS EVE
11:30 P.M.—CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT
EUCARIST
CHRISTMAS DAY
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion
10:00 a.m.—FAMILY CAROL
SERVICE
11:15 A.M.—HOLY COMMUNION



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The BAY, men's toiletries, main



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The BAY, cosmetics, main

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Sunbeam Cordless Double Action Shave-master—Features include comfort curved twin arch shaving head, six precision honed surgical steel blades, professional barber-type trimmer, flip-top latch for easy cleaning, convenient on-off switch. Each, \$39.95

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La Parisienne Hair Dryer—A General Electric hair dryer for the gal who likes to set her own hair. Handy portable model with travelling case. It operates quietly, features four heat settings and has a large bonnet to fit over those big rollers. Each, \$19.95

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The BAY, household electricals, main



Hallmark De Luxe Chocolates—By Smiles 'n' Chuckles. Delicious assortment of dark and light chocolates filled with the finest ingredients... nuts, fruits, creams. Try some yourself. Choose them as gifts the whole family will enjoy. 1 lb., \$1.75

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The BAY, draperies, 4th



Children's Books—All the children's favorites including The Hardy Boys, Nancy Drew, Carolyn Keene, Tom Swift, each, \$1.39 plus the "Learn About Books" that encourage children to learn about: Engines, Rockets, Reptiles, Rocks and many, many more. Shop early Saturday for best selection. Each 99¢

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The BAY, stationery, main



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Saskatchewan Tribute Moves John D.

Conservative Leader Diefenbaker said he is deeply touched by proposal by Saskatchewan Premier Thatcher that his family home, built before 1900 at Borden, near Saskatoon, be moved to Regina and restored as a "fitting tribute to the only Saskatchewan citizen to become prime minister of Canada." Photo was taken when Mr. Diefenbaker visited home in 1965. — (CP)

Pearson's Holiday Message

Peace Among Nations World's Main Hunger

Services Private In Peking

PEKING (Reuters) — Peking's Christians face what is thought to be the first Christmas in this century here without public worship.

No Christmas services are planned in Peking's churches, closed in August at the height of the campaign by Communist China's militant young Red Guards to enforce the tenets of China's Great Proletarian Revolution.

It is thought to be the first time in the 20th century that Peking's Christians would not hold public Christmas worship.

OTTAWA (CP) — The world hungers more than ever for peace among all nations, Prime Minister Pearson says in his Christmas message.

"Through the exercise of love and understanding and good will in all of our hearts, every one of us as individuals can make his own contribution to the progress and to the welfare of our country and to peace across our world."

He had special greetings for those who will work Christmas Day to maintain essential services and for the less fortunate.

"Some are burdened with poverty; others are lonely or sick or sorrowing. So we think of them particularly on this day."

The prime minister will broadcast his message on CBC English and French networks Sunday morning. The text was issued to the press in advance.

Wall Block 'Inhuman' Berlin Mayor Charges

BERLIN (AP) — Mayor Heinrich Albertz said Friday night Christmas will be

"inhuman" for many West Berliners because the East Germans refused to open the wall to West Berliners this year unless they receive full recognition as a state in an agreement signed.

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Albertz referred to the Communist East German regime's refusal to sign an agreement that would allow West Berliners to visit their relatives in East Berlin during the Christmas holidays as they have done since 1963.

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B.C. Prison Guard Loses Hands

Gift Booby-Trapped

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — A penitentiary guard with both his hands blown off was in fair condition Friday night but his 10-year-old son was listed as in critical condition following the explosion of a

booby-trapped Christmas parcel.

The explosion occurred as Frank Newton, 42, a guard at the British Columbia penitentiary for 17 years, unwrapped the parcel at his home in Surrey,

across the Fraser River from New Westminster, where the penitentiary is located. His son Norman was looking as his father opened the parcel which arrived in Friday's mail. Mr. Newton suffered

burns and cuts to his face and stomach in addition to losing his hands.

His son was hit in the face, arms, neck and chest by flying metal.

Both were taken to Royal Columbian Hospital.

Time for Protests

Freight Bid Put on Ice

The B.C. Public Utilities Commission has put a truck freight rate increase proposal on ice to give people plenty of time to present their views on the matter.

Copper Source Cut

KINSHASA (AP) — The Congo suspended Friday the export of all copper produced by the huge Belgian Miniere du Haut Katanga.

The move is in retaliation for the Belgian company's refusal to move its administrative offices and account ledgers to Kinshasa from Brussels.

The Union Miniere said in Brussels it could not agree to transfer, as the Congolese government demands.

Union Miniere is the Congo's biggest business. It produces 75 per cent of its mining assets and provides half its foreign exchange. It produces about 300,000 tons of copper annually, as well as cobalt, gold and uranium.

President Joseph Mobutu recently accused Union Miniere of conspiring against the Congolese state and being behind the Katanga secession led by Moïse Tshombe in 1965. The secession was ended by United Nations intervention in 1965.

Earlier this year, Mobutu decreed that all business firms doing primary trade in the Congo or mining its wealth, must have their offices in Kinshasa.



Supreme Court Judge Retires

Retirement from B.C. Supreme Court bench of Mr. Justice F. K. Collins, 73, Vancouver, has been announced. Mr. Justice Collins, who succeeded J. V. Cline in 1958, is resigning because of ill health.

British Ship Heads For Trouble

LONDON (Reuters) — A British warship left Bermuda under sudden orders Friday and was believed to be heading for the politically-troubled Caribbean island of St. Vincent.

The 3,000-ton destroyer Defender, carrying a crew of about 300, broke off a Christmas visit to Bermuda—due to last until Dec. 27—to sail on what a defence ministry spokesman here called "a special task."

Reports received here from the Caribbean said the warship would lie off St. Vincent.

Caught in Final Draft

O Cabotia!

TORONTO (CP) — On Sunday, it will be exactly 100 years since Sir John A. Macdonald and 15 fellow colonialists from Britain's North American possessions presented the British government with the final draft of a bill to create the new country of Canada.

Sir John and his fellow politicians from the United Province of Upper and Lower Canada Ontario and Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick worked Christmas day revising their plan for confederation of the three colonies.

It contained a list of names for the new country, including Cabotia, Columbia, Laurentia, Britannia and Canada.

The draft was handed to Lord Carnarvon, colonial secretary in the imperial government, on Christmas night.

Six months and one week later, on July 1, 1867, the British North America Act gave birth to the new Dominion.

Cong Rock The Truce

SAIGON (UPI) — A 48-hour Christmas truce went into effect today and was strictly observed by U.S. forces, but the cease-fire failed to stop Viet Cong guns. The U.S. military branded the shooting "violations" while the American embassy said they were only "incidents."

The peace-shattering rash of Communist fire included a Viet Cong attack that killed a Vietnamese soldier, two civilians and wounded three others in the northern province of Thua Thien.

U.S. military spokesmen and government sources reported at least three other incidents of Viet Cong fire, all occurring within the first six hours of the holiday truce.

The Viet Cong fire reportedly caused no American casualties and was not returned. American soldiers were under orders to remain alert to possible Communist attack but not to fire unless fired upon.

MOST SERIOUS

The most serious breach of the peace was a Communist attack on a small hamlet six miles northwest of Phu Loc in Thua Thien province. It was assumed the government forces returned the Communist fire and the war incident was "under investigation."

Viet Cong snipers fired 10 rounds at the headquarters of the first U.S. Army Division at Di An, about 10 miles northeast of Saigon and at an American helicopter in a northern province. Gunfire also was reported in Long An province, south of Saigon.

CLOSE CALL

The attack came just minutes before Francis Cardinal Spellman boarded a helicopter at the Tan Son Nhut airbase in Saigon to fly to Long Binh, less than three miles from Di An, to hold his first Christmas service for U.S. servicemen on the fighting front.

Sporadic firing was reported Friday night just prior to the truce. In the most violent attack just preceding the truce two Communist assassination squads raided a pair of villages on the outskirts of Saigon and killed two Vietnamese men to death with machinegun fire.

While the bodies lay on the ground bleeding, a Viet Cong political team set up a loudspeaker and blared Communist messages to the terrified villagers before disappearing into the night.

Brute Force Pointless Ho Claims

HANOI (AFP) — President Ho Chi Minh of North Vietnam, in a year-end message to the American people, said Friday:

"The U.S. government mistakenly thinks that with brute force it can impose a surrender on our people, but the Vietnamese people will never let itself be subjugated."

"We love peace," Ho added, "but it must be real peace, in independence and freedom."

Flood Hero Rewarded,

FLORENCE, Italy (AP) — A convict hero of the Florence flood has received a \$160 Christmas cheque from President Giuseppe Saragat, in addition to a pardon he received last month.

When the floodwaters of the River Arno rose into the Florence prison cells Nov. 4, Carlo Pestelli, 41, swam to the jail workshop and got a blowtorch. With this he and a few other prisoners saved the lives of 19 trapped convicts.

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Mighty Squish Replaces Sound of Ripping Metal

CULVER CITY, Calif. (LAT) — A police cruiser pulled away from the curb today and was immediately rear-ended by a car traveling at 25 miles an hour.

There was no sound of crashing metal. Only a splat as a 10-foot-high shield of water shot into the air.

Police chief Eugene I. Mueller got out of his car smiling. No one was hurt and the cars were undamaged, though both

were covered with gallons of water which had exploded from their vinyl bumpers.

The bumpers, which have been installed on all Culver City police cruisers, are made of quarter-inch soft vinyl and hold seven gallons of water. In a collision water bursts from 15 valves, redirecting the force of the crash into the air.

"After a bump, you drive to your local gas station and tell the attendant to fill your bumpers with water after he

checks the radiator," the chief said.

Preliminary tests conducted by the police department included head-on and rear-end collisions and hitting abutments, all at 25 miles an hour. The tests demonstrated that there was no passenger injury or damage to the cars, Chief Mueller said.

The bumpers will be sold to the public soon for about \$150 each, according to the manufacturer.

'Whole City Loves Even Us'

Tears, Laughter from 500 Cheques

Victorians who have heard people laugh and cry at the same time will be able to picture what Friday was like for the 500 families in the area as chosen by welfare agencies.

"God bless you all," said one young crippled mother. "We had \$2 to our names this morning, but now I know the whole city loves even us."

"God bless you," wept another mother. "Next year

morning to discover a \$30 present each from Colonist subscribers through the 500 Fund. They were the neediest families in the area as chosen by welfare agencies.

"God bless you all," said one young crippled mother. "We had \$2 to our names this morning, but now I know the whole city loves even us."

"God bless you," wept another mother. "Next year

we're going to be on the giving end."

"My family and I don't know what to say or do about your wonderful gift," stammered another. "Thank you. Thank you all so very much."

"It was a real Christmas saver. With B in the sanitarium, we didn't expect to celebrate this year."

"What wonderful, wonderful spirit you good folks have,"

laughed another. "I can buy everything in the world now."

"Thank you. Thank you. Thank you!"

A special vote of thanks goes to the post office department which worked overtime Thursday night to process the 500 cheques for delivery Friday.

The fund itself easily

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Out for season

Set for restart

VIEWSPORT

By Red Smith

The one and only original authentic Walter Hagen was 74 years old the other day, and perhaps the paper he reads out in 'Traverse City, Mich.' carried Bill Jennings' announcement that the golfers in the Westchester Classic next August will be playing for a quarter million dollars, with \$50,000 for the winner. It is pleasant to speculate about his reaction.

It would not have occurred to him that he was born 40 years too soon, for nobody ever held money in greater disdain—his money and yours. "One thing about Walter," his manager, Bob Marlow, used to say, "he won't spend your money any faster than he spends his own."

Anyhow, he was the financial standards of his time, the Haig did a bit better than all right. "He was the first man to make a million dollars in golf," Fred Corcoran says, "and spend two million."

Still, some inevitable comparisons must have occurred to Walter when he read about the Classic. It's going to be played at the Westchester Country Club over the same course where he and Gene Sarazen played for the "world championship" just 45 years earlier—and got \$500 each.

The Haig Had More Fun

In 1922 Hagen had won the British Open and Sarazen the United States Open, so they were matched for the "world championship" at 72 holes, 36 over Pittsburgh's Oakmont course and 35 in Harrison, N.Y. It was supposed to be for \$1,000, winner take all, but they split the purse down the middle.

A year or two ago when the Thunderbird Classic was at Westchester, a writer who had seen the Hagen-Sarazen match did a piece for the program recalling it. He submitted it to Fred Corcoran who read copy and then telephoned him.

"Good piece," Fred said, "but your memory slipped. You say Hagen won. Sarazen did."

"Sorry," the guy said, "make Gene the winner, but add a line saying Walter had more fun."

He knew he was on safe ground there, for two reasons. For one, Walter always had more fun than anybody, and Westchester was his home ground. He used to live at the club and probably still has a couple of trunks of clothes in storage there. When he was on the go, he had six dozen shirts that he'd leave behind in various hotels so there'd be fresh laundry waiting when he got back to town.

The other reason Walter enjoyed himself more than Gene did was that Sarazen had appendicitis. He finished in half-collapse, was carried off the course, and an ambulance rushed him to the hospital.

The surgeon who operated still has the "World Champion's" appendix under glass in his office. Dr. Frank Landoles likes golf.

To get back to the birthday boy, Walter had been in and out of hospitals this last year and after a throat operation he had to learn all over how to talk. Bill Garman, the doctor who had the same operation, has made trips to Hagen's Michigan home on Echo Lake to help with his speech.

Nevertheless, when the pros shaped up at the Firestone Country Club for this year's 50th anniversary Professional Golfers Association championship, there was Sir Walter.

The only guy to win the PGA four times in a row—nobody else has won three straight—was as gloriously arrayed as ever, wore the old familiar Haig & Haig tan, and had the same old Piping Rock "fruit." "Hagen always walked with his head in the air," Fred Corcoran has written in his memoirs, "as if unconsciously looking over the heads of ordinary mortals."

Something For the Bartender

The \$250,000 pot for the Westchester Classic's 72 holes is the gross prize money for a whole year of professional tournaments in Hagen's day. In 1934 Paul Runyan was the top money winner with \$6,767. The next year Johnny Revolta grabbed \$9,547 of the \$135,000 in prizes available to American pros. In 1936 Corcoran became the PGA tournament manager.

Chase Manhattan has had a friend in golf ever since. A few years ago after Gene Littler had won the Thunderbird, Corcoran told him there was a series of ten matches he could play in two weeks for \$150,000. "Fred," said Gene, who picked up \$66,000 and some change that year, "I've made so much money I'm just going fishing."

These guys had Hagen to thank for it. It was he who grabbed the public imagination and moved the professional golfer out of the servant class.

If, on his birthday, he read about the Westchester Classic and its \$50,000 first prize, he felt no envy and had no regrets. "That," he probably said to himself, "would come in very handy for champagne."

Real Russians Here And Get 28-0 Start

CORNER BROOK, Nfld. (CP) — The Russian national hockey team Friday night humiliated Corner Brook Royals, Newfoundland's senior champs, 28-0 in the opening game of a 10-game Canadian tour.

Vyacheslav Stashnikov led the

world amateur champions with

five goals. Scoring four apiece

were Vladimir Alexandrov, Eu-

genie Zimin and Boris Majorov.

Aleksander Almetov fired

three and Anatoly Firsov and

Victor Polyakov, two apiece.

The others were scored by

Edward Ivanov, Victor Blinov,

Victor Jakushev and Vladimir

Vikulin.

SHOOT 24 TIMES

The Soviet team thrilled 2,000

fans with lightning speed and

precision passing. They fired 74

shots at Corner Brook goalies

Tony Keough and Doug Grant.

Victor Zinger had to make 18

saves in the Russian net.

The Russians scored eight

goals in the first period, and

were leading 17-0 going into the

third. Only one penalty, to Rus-

sia's Ivanov, was called in the

game played under interna-

tional rules.

The Soviet team will meet St.

John's Capitals Monday before

heading for exhibition games in

New Brunswick and Nova Scotia

and the centennial tourna-

ment in Winnipeg.

Down But Not Out, Ailing But Alive

That's Our Maple Leafs But They're Set to Get Up

Victoria Maple Leafs are down but not out, ailing but not dying. Their roster reads like the Dunkirk casualty list, their misfortune would turn a Jonah's head.

The worst news came Friday when Fred Hucul confirmed what everyone had feared—that he was out for the rest of the season.

He said he will undergo an operation on a spinal disc in the New Year but it probably won't mean the end of hockey for the 33-year-old defenceman.

Bill Shvetz underwent the same operation a few years ago and was back playing six months later.

Coach Frank Marzio learned Friday of the death of a young sister in Regina. He will fly east Monday, returning Wednesday.

There was some good news. Larry Keenan was back on the ice Friday morning after a lay-off with a broken heel, suffered in the sixth game of the season.

Manager Buck Houle said Keenan needs some work but will probably play Wednesday against San Diego Gulls at home.

PROMISING SHIFT

And there's the shift, last Wednesday, of Bob Barlow to centre.

Houle says Barlow played well in the new position. "I think it was his best game of the season."

Barlow has been hampered recently by a pulled muscle and has been in a season-long scoring slump.

Now about the long list of injuries.

Milan Marcella was forced to sit out the Portland game with mild concussion. He was tripped at the net in the Los Angeles

game Tuesday and struck the back of his head on a goalpost.

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No Reserve As Indians End Revolt

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — Springfield Indians, smarting from an abortive four-day revolt against owner Eddie Shore, made Providence a whipping post by beating the Reds 9-3 Friday night in snapping a four-game American Hockey League losing streak.

The Indians, who agreed reluctantly on the advice of a lawyer to end a walkout in protest of the suspensions of four players, struck for three goals in each period with a hustling performance.

Fifteen of the 16 Indians dressed for action are regular members of the team which refused even to practise for two days during the walkout.

The quartet still suspended comprises the tribe's top three defencemen — Dale Rolfe, Bill White and Dave Amadio—and centre Brian Kilrea.

The only new player pressed into service by Shore was winger Larry Bilowus who was sent in by Memphis Wings of the Central League in answer to Shore's call for player help earlier in the week. Four other imported players were not used.

Labrosse had played three

got the point. Penn calls itself the Quakers, not the "Earthquakers." NYU is the Violets.

VIP is the Gobblers.

Now, we come to the Ant-eaters. Perfect! Wouldn't you like to have one around the house?

My wife and I could use one. To replace that fumigating company. (Fumigators! Now, there's a name for a team!)

(Los Angeles Times)

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Moore



Gavilan

Ring Shrine Accepts Archie

NEW YORK (AP) — Archie Moore, the former light heavyweight champion and one of the great scientific boxers of all time, and flashy Kid Gavilan, the former welterweight king from Cuba have been elected to the Boxing Hall of Fame.

Their elections were announced Friday along with the selection of another former light heavyweight champion, Battling Levinsky, by the Old Timers Committee. James (Deaf) Burke, an English champion in the 19th century, also was enshrined in the Pioneer group.

Moore, an outstanding fighter who was deliberately avoided by a number of light heavyweight champions, finally got his chance when he was 36, or possibly 39.

No matter the age, he soundly whipped Joey Maxim and won the light heavyweight title Dec. 17, 1952. Old Archie made seven successful defenses of the 175-pound division crown and finally retired after losing in two attempts at the heavyweight title.

KEPT POSSESSION

He never did lose the light heavyweight crown in the ring. In his first shot at boxing's most prized title, he was knocked out in the ninth round by heavyweight champion

Rocky Marciano Sept. 21, 1955. When Marciano retired as the undefeated champion, Moore fought Floyd Patterson for the vacant title. Patterson won on a fifth round knockout in Chicago, Nov. 30, 1956.

Gavilan, now 40 and living in Cuba, was one of the brightest stars of the early era of television boxing. The slick, fast puncher won the welterweight title in 1951 by defeating Johnny Bratton and Billy Graham.

The Kid made six successful title defenses, bowed to Bobo Olson in a middleweight title fight, and then lost his welterweight crown on a controversial decision to Johnny Saxton in Philadelphia on Oct. 20, 1954.

There now are 91 boxers, including the Moderns, Old Timers and Pioneers, enshrined in the Hall of Fame, presently located in the Ring Magazine museum.

Gallivanting Goalkeeper May Cause Rules Change

Gary Smith, the young Giant who tended goal in seven games for the Victoria Maple Leafs in the 1964-65 season, has only played five games in the National Hockey League but he has the rules-makers pondering a change in rules.

Smith, who played three games for the Toronto Maple Leafs last season, was returned to Rochester Americans of the American Hockey League yesterday after a two-game performance with the parent club, but he left them talking in the NHL.

During first-period action in Montreal Wednesday night, the wandering Smith outdid himself by stickhandling the puck all the way to centre ice before passing off and returning to his nets.



The Nomad

And that's what has them talking about changing the rules to prevent a goalkeeper from trying to act as an attacker.

"There's nothing in the rule book now but we may have to revise the rule," said Frank Udvari, supervisor of NHL referees.

"I know a goalkeeper can hold the puck for three seconds but he isn't supposed to be carrying it like a football player. He can be out to the blue-line in three seconds."

Coch Puhel Imbach of the Toronto club is against a rule change although he probably had to be the most worried person in Montreal Forum when Smith went on the attack.

"What?" Imbach exclaimed in dissent. "They're trying to take an exciting play out of hockey. I'm going to vote against it."

Boston Coach Has Unusual Problems

Ushers, Bartenders Suspicious of Sindén



No choir boy

Tambellini To Join Nationals

VANCOUVER (CP) — Addy Tambellini of the Trail Smoke Eaters, the leading scorer in the Western International Hockey League, will join Canada's national team.

A spokesman for the WHL team said coach Jackie McLeod of the Nationals requested the transfer of the veteran forward.

Tambellini, who is unsure of the date he will join the Nationals, was with McLeod as a member of the Smoke Eaters when they won the world championship in 1961.

He coached a hockey team in Austria for the past two seasons before he rejoined the Smoke Eaters.

Czechs Near End of Ban

PRAGUE. Czechoslovakia (AP) — Boxing will return to this country in February, ending a 10-month ban of the sport which followed two fatal accidents.

Officials have taken several steps, including the compulsory use of helmets, to make the sport safer.

Winnipeg Given Big Endorsement

NEW YORK (CP)—Art Lentz, assistant executive director of the United States Olympic Association who recently visited Winnipeg to inspect facilities for the summer Pan-American Games, said Thursday they are "the best we've ever seen."

O.C. Soccer

LONDON (Reuters)—Results of English soccer matches Friday:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

Division I

Everton 0, Notts 3

Division III

Doncaster 3, Grimsby 2

Preston 1, Bolton 2

Southampton 2, Mansfield 1

Division IV

Blackpool 1, Chester 1

Bruins and now the teams' assistant general manager.

But in Chicago it was a trainer who went to bat for him. Sindén took advantage of the opportunity to get even with a minor league official who didn't recognize him even though he had been a pointed coach four months earlier.

"Our first game there the guy comes into the dressing room for the lineups while the players

were out on the ice warming up.

I was standing there with the trainer and the guy looked at us both, then turned to the trainer and asked if Milt Schmidt was around. I knew why he was looking for Milt, of course. He didn't know who I was.

"Anyway, the trainer said: 'No, but here's the new coach.' 'The guy turned to me and I said: 'Yeh, just made the appointment yesterday.'"

"He just stood there, surprised for a minute, and then he said: 'Gee, I didn't notice anything about it in the papers.'"

NOT DIETING

Sindén doesn't think he'll have any more trouble convincing people he's old enough to vote.

"I'm getting fatter," he said. "My double chin is starting to show."

Alouettes, Mudra Feels Sure Will Allow Him to Renegé

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Darrell Mudra says he doesn't expect trouble over the fact he has signed as head football coach with the University of Arizona although Montreal Alouettes haven't yet decided whether they will release him from his contract there.

"I don't really anticipate much trouble negotiating with the Montreal people," Mudra said. "We've always gotten along very well. I'm sure they will release me."

Meanwhile, Joe Atwell, president and chairman of the board of the Montreal team, said in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., that he was aware that Mudra was going to talk to Arizona University "but I can tell you he didn't go with my blessing."

TWO YEARS LEFT

The new contract was announced Thursday. Mudra had served only one year of his three-year contract with Montreal of the Eastern Football Conference.

Atwell said it would be up to the board to decide whether Mudra will be released.

Today Atwell told the Tucson Daily Citizen by telephone from Fort Lauderdale, Fla.:

"It must be getting near the time when a contract is going to have to be recognized as a contract. College football is no longer college football. . . . It's just as professional as the pros."

Atwell added: "I probably feel about like George Allen jumped year when George Allen jumped

his Chicago contract to go to the Rams. I am sure Darrell or anyone else would hold a player to his contract."

"You know, I've been sitting down there in Florida and watching Miami University signing players to contracts on TV just about every night. The coach is there, the parents. The boy, everybody. It is professional. . . ."

"Sure, I was aware that Darrell was going to talk to Arizona. But I can tell you he didn't go with my blessing. . . ."

Olympic TV To Fetch \$6,400,000

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico's Olympic committee will collect at least \$6,400,000 for television rights to the two-week Olympic Games in October, 1968, it was learned unofficially Wednesday.

Roberto Casellas, spokesman for the committee, could not confirm the figures but said contracts have been signed with the American Broadcasting Co. and networks in Japan, Eastern Europe and Western Europe, for rights to transmit to their respective areas.

It was reported Mexico had sought \$10,000,000.

Vancouver Rep XV Plays Here Monday

A rugby match between Vancouver and Victoria representative teams will take place on Boxing Day, Monday, Dec. 26, but just where in Victoria it will take place remains a mystery.

Weather permitting, the kick off is scheduled to take place at 1:30 p.m. at Macdonald Park. If the James Bay pitch is unplayable the match will be shifted to the University of Victoria field in Gordon Head.

TEN FROM JBAA

Members of the league-leading James Bay Athletic Association team hold 10 of the fifteen places on the Victoria Reps.

Props Sonny Vickery and Ken Roskelley, second row Don Eckhardt, tall up Jerry Montgomery and breaks Tom Bourne and Ed Kubek will perform in the scrum.

Scrum half is Stan Emerie.

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Dave Hutchings plays inside centre and Jim Ryan and Rod Fiddick are the wings.

Cowichan players are second-row Bill Ross, stand-off Dave Clarke and outside centre Tom Brown. Hooker Lyn Patterson and fullback Don Burgess of Oak Bay round out the squad.

Vancouver players coming include Gary Frumano, Jim Porter, Tim Cummings, Al Blanco, Dave Milne and Joe Milligan. Victoria star Billy Gray of the UBC team is also expected to play.

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Hovercraft ferry service for Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands is a possibility in the immediate future, says James Mills, managing director of Bell Aerosystems Canada.

Two potential buyers of the high-speed, air-cushion amphibians have applied for operating licences to the Air Transport Board, Mr. Mills said in Victoria Thursday.

NO IDENTITIES

He declined to give identities of the customers, but said one wants to operate among the Gulf Islands and the other plans to run passengers between Vancouver and the Island.

Mr. Mills spent five years in Esquimalt as a navy lieutenant-commander before retiring a

year ago. He joined Bell Aerosystems Canada when it was formed this fall.

CANADIAN MARKET

The firm is developing the Canadian market for the hovercraft—or air-cushion vehicle—which rides over water or land on a cushion of compressed air.

Toronto-based Mr. Mills is in Victoria to spend Christmas with his family. Discussing the future of the hovercraft Thursday, Mr. Mills took issue with highways. Minister Gagliardi, who said in September that hovercraft service here was at least five years away.

HERE AND NOW

"They're not years off; they are here, and now," said Mr. Mills.

"The biggest potential market is right here in Canada," he added.

The machine can skim over muskeg and tundra to support Arctic oil exploration, he said. Frozen or flowing rivers are the hovercraft's natural roadways.

Great Britain is developing luxury passenger vessels, Mr. Mills observed. The U.S. seems to be concentrating on military versions; three hovercraft are already scouting the swamps of Vietnam.

Adaptation to Canadian needs will likely produce a "work-

horse" version, he predicted, would likely be the SR-N6, a 31-passenger, 60-mile-an-hour craft, concentrating on researching the potential market.

IN PRODUCTION

Already in production in the U.K. and U.S. are hovercraft with useful loads ranging from 3½ to 80 tons. Planned "in the not-too-distant future" are machines to carry 400 and 700 tons at a top speed of about 150 miles an hour.

Machine which might be used initially on Island-mainland runs

Later, the SR-N9, a 90-passenger, 60-mile-an-hour machine could be introduced.

Ferry services at this speed would take Island commuters to Vancouver in half an hour.

Commercialism on Wane

Is Spirit of Christmas Returning?

By ARNOLD OLSON

NANAIMO—The road from Nanaimo south is glistening with colored lights, and is almost alive with little cardboard Christmas figures.

Houses are festooned with decorations, and give off the glitter that brings marked memories.

Shoppers are still buying presents for family or friends, and the last-minute scramble to get a new string of lights for the tree or the roof goes on as it has in the past.

BLARE OUT

Stores almost reach out to grab the passer-by, and the radio blares out Christmas commercials and threadbare Christmas

songs that we have heard just a bit too much.

Tired of it all, many have asked: Is Christmas getting too commercial?

GENERAL RISE

In the past year, some Nanaimo churches have noticed a general increase in attendance, and feel the Christmas celebrations are much closer to the feeling of spiritual warmth.

Stores that normally suffer from shoplifting spree have noticed a decrease in thefts.

FEWER CAUGHT

Police, well organized to catch the drinking driver, report they have caught fewer this year than they had expected, and are hoping that their efforts will find them empty-handed.

They also report that shoplifting seems to have dropped.

Magistrates Stan Wardill and Eric Winch both said that they would be strict in sentencing persons guilty of the offence, which might be one reason for the decline.

The Salvation Army packed the last of 500 hampers with food and toys Friday, and they felt the co-operation from all concerned, was terrific.

OPTIMISTIC

The church feelings were expressed as "a warm feeling. Very optimistic — more of a Christmas spirit than ever before. Indicative of a general year-long trend back to church."

The only persons adversely affected by the general good behavior have been the local re-

porters, with fewer thefts, accidents, and impaired driving charges to report — and consensus is that they prefer it that way.



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'How Are You?' Santa Asked

By MARY TAYLOR

PORT ALBERT—Although I hate to disagree with such an eminent authority as Dr. Brock Chisholm, who has been quoted

as advocating the abolishment of Santa Claus for the benefit of children, I can't entirely agree. Santa Claus may be bad for kids. But he's wonderful for grandparents.

Of course, I may be prejudiced in favor of the old gentleman. I know I believed implicitly in him for a year or two longer than most youngsters.

FOUR YEARS

It all came about when I was four years old. Father, not too long out of veteran's hospital had taken me to visit the Hudson's Bay Company.

In those days, shortly after the First World War, the Bay was the biggest, if not the only, department store in most prairie cities.

CROWDED

The store was crowded, with a line-up to sit on Santa's knee. We decided to enjoy toyland and wait for the crowd to thin out.

And then we went to the icicle-covered throne where Santa, in his velvet suit and fur-trimmed boots, waited to hear my whispered wishes.

But no sooner had we approached the throne than a minor miracle took place. Santa didn't speak to me. He greeted my father beamingly.

HOW'RE YOU?

"Well, Albert, it's certainly good to see you up and around again, how are you keeping, anyway?" He boomed.

My eyes must have opened like saucers.

"Daddy, daddy!" I squealed. "he knows you. Santa Claus knows you." Dad never cracked a smile.

"That's right, love," he agreed in his soft North Country

accent. "He remembers me from when he used to visit me in Yorkshire when I was a lad."

I never saw the stern drop of an eyelid that reminded dad's old war comrade that he had forgotten his role of Santa Claus.

FOR YEARS

I only know that for years after, no one could persuade me that Santa Claus did not truly exist.

I remember when my best friend finally convinced me of something I had begun to suspect that Santa Claus was not strictly true. But surely my father would never lie to me?

PROTECTED

"Your father did what he has always done. He protected you," she explained. "How could he explain to you, when you were only four, that Santa Claus is the spirit of Christmas? How could he explain that Santa Claus stands for all the loving, generous things people do for other people at Christmas time, and indeed throughout the year?"

EIGHT YEARS

"Now you are eight years old, you are able to understand. It's even nicer when you find out it is real people, your family, your friends, who plan and work and do things to make Christmas a special time of year," mother told me.

"But Christmas won't be the same without Santa Claus," I wailed. "It won't be any fun to hang up stockings or A-A-anything."

FIRST TIME

"Indeed it will," she said. "Now you can have a hand in filling stockings with surprises for the rest of us."

For the first time I learned the delight of being a Santa Claus myself.

Pioneers Win Medals

Long-time residents of Cowichan and Alberni districts have been placed on the list for the Canadian pioneer medalion.

In Port Alberni, 67 residents were registered.

Oldest on the list is Harry Woodward, who rode into the area on horseback in 1890.

Mr. Woodward, who was still a noted horseman in his eighties, was 99 years old Dec. 3.

Mrs. George Williamson took on the task of registering local pioneers, and her biggest regret is that some who are eligible did not register by the appointed time.

A special ceremony is planned during centennial year to honor the pioneers and present the commemorative medals.

And at Duncan —

Among 8,528 pioneers in British Columbia who are eligible for a medal, 165 oldtimers live in the Cowichan and Chemainus Valleys.

The medals are available to persons who were either born in Canada or have resided in this country since before 1892.

They have to be residents of British Columbia now.

Deadline for medal applications was Nov. 19 and a spokesman at Duncan said there will be disappointed pioneers but it is unavoidable.

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'Why Doesn't He Come to Lake Cowichan and See?'

Strachan Blasted for Flood Statements

Duncan Opposes New Rate Hike

DUNCAN—A freight rate hike would increase the price of every commodity on Vancouver Island, and the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Vancouver Island will be one of the parties strongly opposing the boost at a public hearing before the Public Utilities Commission.

Duncan-Cowichan Chamber President Sam Keeble said freight subsidies should be equal throughout British Columbia.

Port Alberni

City Accepts Pool Tender

PORT ALBERNI—Low bid on the valley's centennial swimming pool has been accepted by city council.

In a special pre-Christmas meeting, the city moved to get on with the controversial project.

Successful bidder was Port Home Builders Limited, with a bid of \$418,557 for the pool and \$5,110 for the movable seating, \$1,724 for ceramic tile for the pool, for a total of \$425,391.

Council also repealed a recent bylaw on sewer construction in the Cameron Heights area, so that a new bylaw could be launched, which will spread the installation costs over 20 years instead of the customary 10.

The move was necessitated by the high cost of installation in the Cameron Heights area, where much of the construction is through solid rock. City Manager Dennis Thain explained.

Council also took action on the city's business licence bylaw. Levies will now be made annually instead of semi-annually, making the business tax year begin Jan. 1.

Where present licences expire March 31, a refund will be given to rectify the matter.

As for fly-by-night salesmen, council will make their lives even more uncomfortable by enforcing payment of a full year's business tax, even if they plan to be in the city only a week.

Those who have been required to post bond and have previously offered negotiable securities, will now have to put up the money in cash.

During the brief council session, new rates for metered water were also approved. Present domestic rates will not be changed, however those on metered rates will pay approximately three per cent more.

And finally, before starting

their holiday weekend, council members agreed to the parks plan for revitalization of the drill hall.

Council decided to set aside \$38,500 in the 1967 budget which with approximately \$7,000 in winter works grants would permit



Thain

the most urgent work to be done to meet the requirements of the fire marshal, and the additional facilities required for the community to derive year-round benefit from the huge building.

Mayor Hammer said he considered the plan a very good compromise. "Without this work it would not be possible to hold the fall fair or any of the major events planned for centennial and amalgamation year in the drill hall. With this plan, we will be able to make maximum use of the building."



Whar's That Flood?

Checking level of high water, Stan Layton of federal mines department stands under highway bridge at entrance to village of Lake Cowichan. Water was so high at one point it ripped out a permanent high-water gauge that had been on the bridge since 1920. — (Agnes Flett)



Helicopter drops gently in tricky salvage operation

Clock Went Down with Plane Still Ticks Despite Snow

COMOX — Those advertised watches that can take so much punishment, have nothing on the clock that went down in a plane crash in 1931.

The eight-day clock was part of the instrument panel of an old Stinson Detroiter aircraft. The plane crashed in the B.C. wilderness. Pilot was Thomas S. Corless, who now lives in Queanell.

In the summer of 1963, Raymond Conant flew a helicopter into the area, and inspected the wreckage.

Mr. Conant, who is now flying helicopters in the Yukon, wound the old timepiece.

Immediately the old tick-tick-tick began. The clock had survived the bangs and bruises of the crash.

After 32 years of exposure to heat, extreme cold, snow and rain, the clock still keeps perfect time.

The aircraft was salvaged recently from the bush in a dangerous helicopter operation from RCAF at Canadian Forces Base Comox.

The clock is on its way to the Canadian National Aviation Museum in Ottawa, where it will probably be keeping good time for generations to come.

Food for All

Centre Has Party

By MARY TAYLOR

PORT ALBERNI—It was a very merry Christmas party at the Port Alberni Friendship Centre.

The number of guests far exceeded expectations, and there was a warm welcome and delicious dinner for almost 600 people.

It was planned that two sittings would be served, one at 4 p.m. and another at 5 p.m. But to the busy members of the committee in charge of food, it appeared an unending stream of happy, hungry people kept filing vacated chairs to enjoy the meal, until every last crumb vanished.

Where did all the food come from? Turkey was donated by the Ohsit and Seschat Bands. \$150 was raised by the women's group of the centre by their handicrafts bazaar and home baking.

The young people's groups made their contributions. Businessmen in the Alberni Valley again contributed in the generous way that has helped the centre so much during the first difficult year.

And when the dining was done further celebrations followed. Mayor Les Hammer and Mayor Fred Bishop, with their wives, were there to offer congratulations, and to present two meaningful cheques.

Port Alberni council contributed \$750 and Alberni \$250 toward the support of the centre, which, having survived its first year of struggle, is looking forward to success.

Already the building is in use almost every night of the week by one group or another connected with the centre.

Elaine Peters, daughter of the centre's first chairman, Arthur Peters, wearing traditional native dress, presented corsages to Mrs. Hammer and Mrs. Bishop.

Dramatic moment of the evening affair came with the unveiling of the handsome new sign, designed by artist George Clutesi, and executed by George Clutesi.

The design, representing the opening doors of a traditional longhouse, carries an intricately carved whale emblem, and took more than 150 hours to complete.

Honor of unveiling the sign was reserved for Dr. Harry Webster, one of those who originated the ideas for the friendship centre.

Also taking part in the unveiling were the centre's first president, Arthur Peters, and in ceremonial head-dress and cloak, Edward Shewish.

Santa Claus appeared with treats for the youngsters during the evening, followed by a wide variety of entertainers.

Among the most appealing numbers were Christmas skits presented by members of the Sunday school of the upper reserve, and songs by the children of Mr. and Mrs. Clutesi.

And the large audience was delighted with the final number, a serpent dance by Ed Shewish, accompanied by Mr. Clutesi.

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DUNCAN—Robert Strachan has come under fire for lack of concern about flooding in his riding.

Lake Cowichan resort operator Peter Edwards said the opposition leader has displayed a lack of knowledge of the problem.

He claimed the Cowichan-Malahat MLA should have visited Lake Cowichan to discuss the problem with residents. Mr. Edwards, like most Lake Cowichan residents, has been mopping up after the effects of a major flood.

Peter Edwards said "I am amazed that Mr. Strachan is unaware of our annual flooding problem after the many years he has been representing this area."

"He should know as well as I that this problem exists. He should dedicate more time to consulting with people in this area."

"Mr. Strachan should have been here this time and I would have given him a sightseeing tour by riverboat which would have opened his eyes to the problem we have to face."

Mr. Edwards referred to remarks Mr. Strachan made Thursday in Victoria.

He had been quoted as saying "If the flooding is likely to recur and dikes are necessary, some action will have to be taken."

Mr. Edwards asked "Does Mr. Strachan ever come to Lake Cowichan and talk to people up here?"

"According to his statement he is completely unaware of the fact that Lake Cowichan experienced several floods during his time of office."



Strachan

Where Is the Report?

"Mr. Strachan said 'the whole problem has to be assessed to see why the flood happened at Lake Cowichan.'"

"He should be well aware that government engineers made a survey of this whole problem in 1958, but no action was taken."

"Does Mr. Strachan not know of the engineers' report?" He said the Cowichan Lake district has had three days of clear weather which lowered the level of the lake two feet.

The level should drop another foot to be within the safety sector allowing for normal winter rainfall.

He said it started to rain Friday at 11 a.m. "but it will take several days of pretty hard rain to bring the lake up to danger level again."

He said people living along the river are moving back into their homes along the Cowichan River at Lake Cowichan but the ravaging river has done much damage to gardens.

In some instances flood waters washed away all the soil.

Mr. Edwards said except for low lying areas, roads through the village of Lake Cowichan are clear and they do not pose a driving hazard for motorists.

He said the companies and the unions in the Cowichan Lake area should press the government for some action to correct the annual flood threat.

He said the financial loss suffered by workers, businessmen and companies, should justify even \$1,000,000 to bring relief to the Cowichan Lake area and to Duncan.

Houses Should Go

Mr. Edwards referred to big-scale flood work which would include the diversion of waters from the lake to the west coast of the Island.

"This would bring relief to people in the Duncan and the Cowichan Lake areas," he said.

Flood waters from the Cowichan River also receded in the Duncan district, but some families are still living in the Cowichan Indian recreation centre where they were taken after their Mission Road homes were flooded.

Public works supervisor of the Cowichan Indians Abraham Joe said it is hoped that a meeting between the city of Duncan, North Cowichan municipality and the Cowichan Indian band can be arranged early next year to discuss the flood problem.

He said "the Cowichan Valley always has been flooded in places below 30-foot sea level and at this time the only solution would be to move the houses to higher levels."

Mr. Joe said, "The city and the municipality always have talked about good neighborly relations with the Cowichan Indian band, and now is the time to show it."

"We all should sit down and try to find a solution."

He said there are still some inches of water in the yard of his home.

Cowichan Indian Agent Ron Sampson said houses in the low-lying areas should be removed because floods have occurred there for many, many years and come every year.

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Visitor Sees Nanaimo Data

NANAIMO—"There are only minor differences between school systems all over the world," said A. U. Qureshi.

One difference is that high school education lasts to Grade 12, while in Mr. Qureshi's native Pakistan public schools go to Grade 10.

The visitor to Nanaimo spent Thursday and Friday taking a look at schools, particularly administration.

He is assistant financial director of Pakistan.

Included in his visit was a five-hour tour of the area, including Parksville.

"It is premature for me to say at this stage," he said, when asked if he planned to take any recommendations back to Pakistan.

He plans to be in Canada for at least eight months, a minimum of a month in each of the provinces that he visits.

Other studies, including training in technological areas are also being undertaken by his government, he said.

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Minister Wants Reductions

Alberni Fight for Hospital

PORT ALBERNI—A delegation of hospital board officials will travel to Victoria to argue against reduction in the hospital's expansion plan.

The board met Thursday, and Friday issued a statement that "any changes would have a serious effect on the over-all planning the future effectiveness of the hospital."

"Changes would automatically mean additional delays," the board will fight a request

from the provincial government calling for a reduction in the program.

The expansion has been negotiated for two and a half years. The Health Minister wanted a cutback on the project because of high construction costs and the effect of tight money.

The minister was not specific on what area could be reduced. Last week Social Credit MLA Dr. Howard MacDermid assured guests at an Old Age Pensioners

banquet that plans for the chronic care unit are ready to go ahead, "with some small changes."

This hint of changes, indicates the chronic care unit might be the area that would suffer if the provincial government insists on a reduction.

The board delegation hopes to meet with the new health minister Jan. 6. Hospital Board Chairman Maurice Landry would not comment on what

changes might be made to hospital expansion plans.

The board pointed out "preliminary plans and pre-construction estimates were submitted to the B.C. Hospital Insurance Service in September, for approval."

The board then received the minister's letter and met with the architect, to see about a reduction.

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Case of Scotch

Scotch pine, grown at Courtenay, is a popular form of Christmas tree with Vancouver Island residents this year. Mrs. Alice Radonovich of Nanaimo admires a Scotch pine at her home, corner of Bruce and Seventh. The trees are more expensive than the native fir. — (Agnes Flett)



Saskatchewan Tribute Moves John D.

Conservative Leader Diefenbaker said he is deeply touched by proposal by Saskatchewan Premier Thatcher that his family home, built before 1900 at Borden, near Saskatoon, be moved to Regina and

restored as a "fitting tribute to the only Saskatchewan citizen to become prime minister of Canada." Photo was taken when Mr. Diefenbaker visited home in 1965. He and brother Elmer were born there. — (CP)

Pearson's Holiday Message

Peace Among Nations World's Main Hunger

Services Private In Peking

PEKING (Reuters) — Peking's Christians face what is thought to be the first Christmas in this century here without public worship.

No Christmas services are planned in Peking's churches, closed in August at the height of the campaign by Communist China's militant young Red Guards to enforce the tenets of China's Great Proletarian Revolution.

It is thought to be the first time in the 20th century that Peking's Christians would not hold public Christmas worship.

OTTAWA (CP) — The world hungers more than ever for peace among all nations, Prime Minister Pearson says in his Christmas message.

"Through the exercise of love and understanding and good will in all of our hearts, every one of us as individuals can make his own contribution to the progress and the welfare of our country and to peace across our world."

"For peace and progress begin in the hearts and souls of every individual person." Mr. Pearson extended his greetings Friday to Canadians abroad, including servicemen in Europe, Cyprus, the Gaza Strip, Kashmir and Indochina; teachers, technicians and missionaries.

He expressed regret that commercialism and a kind of celebration threaten to "obscure the true meaning of Christmas."

"If we are lucky, we are surrounded by our children and our grandchildren."

He had special greetings for those who will work Christmas Day to maintain essential services and for the less fortunate.

"Some are burdened with poverty; others are lonely or sick or sorrowing. So we think of them particularly on this day."

The prime minister will broadcast his message on CBC English and French networks Sunday morning. The text was issued to the press in advance.

Wall Block 'Inhuman' Berlin Mayor Charges

BERLIN (AP) — Mayor Heinrich Albertz said Friday night Christmas will be

"inhuman" for many West Berliners because the East Germans have refused to do this since West Germany does not recognize the Communist state.

Albertz referred to the Communist East German regime's refusal to sign an agreement that would allow West Berliners to visit their relatives in East Berlin during the Christmas holidays as they have done since 1963.

The East Germans vowed they would not open the wall to West Berliners this year unless they receive full recognition as a state in any agreement signed.

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GIFT EXPLODES

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — A B.C. Penitentiary guard, his hands blown off, ran screaming into the street with his critically-injured 10-year-old son Friday night, following the explosion of a booby-trapped Christmas parcel.

Guard Frank Newton, 42, is in fair condition today in Royal Columbian Hospital here, and his son Norman was later listed as critical.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police pressed the search for the person who attempted murder via the Christmas mail.

The explosion occurred as Newton, 42, unwrapped the parcel at his home in

North Surrey, across the Fraser River from New Westminster, where the penitentiary is located, while his son Norman watched.

Police said the blast Continued on Page 10

Time for Protests

Freight Bid Put on Ice

The B.C. Public Utilities Commission has put a truck freight rate increase proposal on ice to give people plenty of time to present their views on the matter.

Copper Source Cut

KINSHASA (AP) — The Congo suspended Friday the export of all copper produced by the huge Belgian Minière du Haut Katanga.

The move is in retaliation for the Belgian company's refusal to move its administrative offices and account ledgers to Kinshasa from Brussels.

The Union Minière said in Brussels it could not agree to transfer, as the Congolese government demands.

Union Minière is the Congo's biggest business. It produces 75 per cent of its mining assets and provides half its foreign exchange. It produces about 300,000 tons of copper annually, as well as cobalt, gold and uranium.

President Joseph Mobutu recently accused Union Minière of conspiring against the Congolese state and being behind the Katanga secession led by Moïse Tshombe in 1960. The secession was ended by United Nations intervention in 1963.

Earlier this year, Mobutu decreed that all business firms doing primary trade in the Congo or mining its wealth, must have their offices in Kinshasa.

A spokesman at the superintendent of motor carriers' office in Vancouver, which will have to deal with the application, told the Colonist Friday no final decision will be made at least until Jan. 23, and possibly later.

He said a notice had been published that 15 companies intend to seek a freight rate increase between Vancouver Island and the mainland but his office had not yet received the application.

NECESSARY

Letters have been sent to the Victoria Chamber of Commerce and other groups, which protested they would not have time enough to prepare briefs, advising them they can have up to Jan. 23 and longer, if necessary, to present their cases.

There's no rush," the spokesman said. "If they need more time to state their protests, they should give us notice before Jan. 23."

ADDRESS GIVEN

Anyone who will want to oppose the application should send a written notification to the Superintendent of Motor Carriers, Public Utilities Commission, 1740 West Georgia Street, Vancouver 5, B.C.

No date has been set for a public hearing.



Supreme Court Judge Retires

Retirement from B.C. Supreme Court bench of Mr. Justice F. K. Collins, 73, Vancouver, has been announced. Mr. Justice Collins, who succeeded J. V. Cline in 1958, is resigning because of ill health.

British Ship Heads For Trouble

LONDON (Reuters) — A British warship left Bermuda under sudden orders Friday and was believed to be heading for the politically-troubled Caribbean island of St. Vincent.

The 3,000-ton destroyer Defender, carrying a crew of about 300, broke off a Christmas visit to Bermuda—due to last until Dec. 27—to sail on what a defence ministry spokesman here called "a special task."

Reports received here from the Caribbean said the warship would lie off St. Vincent.

Caught in Final Draft

O Cabotia!

TORONTO (CP) — On Sunday, it will be exactly 100 years since Sir John A. Macdonald and 15 fellow colonists from Britain's North American possessions presented the British government with the final draft of a bill to create the new country of Canada.

Sir John and his fellow politicians from the United Province of Upper and Lower Canada (Ontario and Quebec) Nova Scotia and New Brunswick worked Christmas day revising their plan for confederation of the three colonies.

It contained a list of names for the new country, including Cabotia, Columbia, Laurentia, Britannia and Canada.

The draft was handed to Lord Carnarvon, colonial secretary in the imperial government, on Christmas night.

Six months and one week later, on July 1, 1867, the British North America Act gave birth to the new Dominion.

Cong Rock The Truce

SAIGON (UPI) — A 48-hour Christmas truce went into effect today and was strictly observed by U.S. forces, but the cease-fire failed to stop Viet Cong guns. The U.S. military branded the shooting "violations" while the American embassy said they were only "incidents."

The peace-shattering rash of Communist fire included a Viet Cong attack that killed a Vietnamese soldier, two civilians and wounded three others in the northern province of Thua Thien.

U.S. military spokesmen and government sources reported at least three other incidents of Viet Cong fire, all occurring within the first six hours of the holiday truce.

The Viet Cong fire reportedly caused no American casualties and was not returned. American soldiers were under orders to remain alert to possible Communist attack but not to fire unless fired upon.

MOST SERIOUS

The most serious breach of the peace was a Communist attack on a small hamlet six miles northwest of Phu Loc in Thua Thien province. It was assumed the government forces returned the Communist fire and the war incident was "under investigation."

Viet Cong snipers fired 10 rounds at the headquarters of the first U.S. Army Division at Di An, about 10 miles northeast of Saigon and at an American helicopter in a northern province. Gunfire also was reported in Long An province, south of Saigon.

CLOSE CALL

The attack came just minutes before Francis Cardinal Spellman boarded a helicopter at the Tan Son Nhut airbase in Saigon to fly to Long Binh, less than three miles from Di An, to hold his first Christmas service for U.S. servicemen on the fighting front.

Sporadic firing was reported Friday night just prior to the truce. In the most violent attack just preceding the truce two Communist assassination squads raided a pair of villages on the outskirts of Saigon and killed two Vietnamese men to death with machinegun fire.

While the bodies lay on the ground bleeding, a Viet Cong political team set up a loudspeaker and blared Communist messages to the terrified villagers before disappearing into the night.

Brute Force Pointless Ho Claims

HANOI (AP) — President Ho Chi Minh of North Vietnam, in a year-end message to the American people, said Friday:

"The U.S. government mistakenly thinks that with brute force it can impose a surrender on our people, but the Vietnamese people will never let itself be subjugated."

"We love peace," Ho added, "but it must be real peace, in independence and freedom."

Prison Hero Rewarded

FLORENCE, Italy (AP) — A convict hero of the Florence flood has received a \$180 Christmas cheque from President Giuseppe Saragat, in addition to a pardon he received last month.

When the floodwaters of the River Arno rose into the Florence prison cells Nov. 4, Carlo Pestelli, 41, swam to the jail workshop and got a blowtorch. With this he and a few other prisoners saved the lives of 19 trapped convicts.

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Mighty Squish Replaces Sound of Ripping Metal

CULVER CITY, Calif. (EAT) — A police cruiser pulled away from the curb Friday and was immediately rear-ended by a car traveling at 25 miles an hour.

There was no sound of crashing metal. Only a splat as a 10-foot-high shield of water shot into the air.

Police chief Eugene I. Mueller got out of his car smiling. No one was hurt and the cars were undamaged, though both

were covered with gallons of water which had exploded from their vinyl bumpers.

The bumpers, which have been installed on all Culver City police cruisers, are made of quarter-inch soft vinyl and hold seven gallons of water. In a collision water bursts from 15 valves, redirecting the force of the crash into the air.

"After a bump, you drive to your local gas station and tell the attendant to fill your bumpers with water after he

checks the radiator," the chief said.

Preliminary tests conducted by the police department included head-on and rear-end collisions and hitting abutments, all at 25 miles an hour. The tests demonstrated that there was no passenger injury or damage to the cars, Chief Mueller said.

The bumpers will be sold to the public soon for about \$150 each, according to the manufacturer.

'Whole City Loves Even Us'

Tears, Laughter from 500 Cheques

Victorians who have heard people laugh and cry at the same time will be able to picture what Friday was like for girls at the Colonist switchboard.

The switchboard was jammed with callers, each eager to tell what an "unexpected" \$20 meant at this time of year.

Five hundred families had opened their mail Friday

morning to discover a \$30 present each from Colonist subscribers through the 500 Fund. They were the neediest families in the area as chosen by welfare agencies.

"God bless you all," said one young crippled mother. "We had \$2 to our names this morning, but now I know the whole city loves even us."

"God bless you," wept another mother, "next year

we're going to be on the giving end."

"My family and I don't know what to say or do about your wonderful gift," stammered another. "Thank you. Thank you all so very much."

"It was a real Christmas saver. With \$... in the sanitarium, we didn't expect to celebrate this year."

"What wonderful, wonderful spirit you good folks have,"

laughed another. "I can buy everything in the world now."

"Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!"

"God bless everybody." A special vote of thanks goes to the post office department which worked overtime Thursday night to process the 500 cheques for delivery Friday.

The fund itself easily Continued on Page 2